

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday, November 4th, 2014
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LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2014-14)

2014-14/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

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2014-14/5 QUESTION PERIOD

2014-14/5a KWAN – Question for the VP Student Life:

I'd like to hear about some of your thoughts regarding the food policy, what is your vision for change?

2014-14/5b DUECK – Question for the President:

Given the recent events that have occurred on our campus and as U of A students enter the stressful month November what additional plans does the Students Union have in regards to promoting mental health and providing safe places for students to go when feeling overwhelmed?

2014-14/5c DUECK – Question for the President:

In regards to promoting mental health on campus, in your opinion, which services and programs are most effective and where can we best direct our resources to continue improving such services?

2014-14/5d DUECK – Question for the VP Academic:

Now that the DG investigation into the LSA has concluded and the results have been provided to council do you feel that bylaw 8100 is effective in governing SRA's or could improvements be made to this bylaw?

Response from Kathryn Orydzuk, VP Academic:

Thanks for the question. I do feel that Bylaw 8100 is effective in governing SRAs. It does what it is supposed to do in terms of guiding the actions of the organization and the organizations that we delegate representative authority to. I am not on Bylaw committee nor should I be directing Council in terms of

my own powers, but if you would like to know my personal opinion based on all my past experiences on an FA, on Council, and from being VPA, here it is: I think that the way that the Bylaw is now, we have a balance of SRAs being able to advocate based on what their membership wants, without giving up larger interdisciplinary advocacy efforts and also defending against snap decisions and poor consultation. I do not think that adding a punitive measure against SRAs to Bylaw 8100 will lead us to better encompass the values that we hold as an organization or deter SRAs from breaking Bylaw/Policy any more than they are now. We need to be collaborating with SRAs and understanding of what they need through regular communication and support where needed. I truly believe that changing the Bylaw in any way that gives the SU more power over SRAs would absolutely change the dynamic of the relationship between the SU and SRAs in a way that is not in the best interest for students.

There are also a couple of minor things that routinely bother me in 8100:

- section 21 should be under probation, not derecognition
- in section 28, the part about the annual recognition process is outdated since SRAs do not require recognition by the Dean of Students to exist anymore. It also implies that we can't investigate multiple significant issues at any other time, which is not true or helpful.

2014-14/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2014-14/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2014-14/7a

HODGSON MOVES TO approve Bill #4 in second reading based on the following principles:

All mentions and processes involving DFUs shall be moved to a newly created 6000 series of bylaws.

Two categories of DFUs shall be created, Operational DFUs and Granting DFUs. Only DFUs with 100% of funds going to grants shall be considered Granting DFUs.

Timelines for DFU creation shall be clarified and made explicit. Time will be allowed for the Students' Union to adequately consider a question.

Responsibilities of all parties involved in DFU creation shall be clearly outlined, and alternatives shall be made available should the Students' Union fail in its role to consider the question.

DFUs shall be moved to a five year plebiscite cycle, as opposed to the current referendum cycle. References to Class C and D fees shall be eliminated.

DFUs that have the condition of being opt-out as part of the referendum question shall conduct opt-outs through an online process.

Please see documents LA 14-14.01, LA 14-14.02, LA 14-14.03, LA 14-14.04 and LA 14-14.05

2014-14/8

INFORMATION ITEMS

2014-14/8e

Finance Committee Summary Report – October 28, 2014

Please see document LA 14-14.06

- 2014-14/8f** Bylaw Summary Report – October 29, 2014
Please see document LA 14-14.07
- 2014-14/8g** Sangram Hansra, BoG Rep - Report
Please see document LA 14-14.08
- 2014-14/8h** Cory Hodgson, VP Operations & Finance - Report
Please see document LA 14-14.09
- 2014-14/8i** Navneet Khinda, VP External - Report
Please see document LA 14-14.10

6. Plebiscite and Referendum Initiation

(1) Where a member wishes to initiate a plebiscite or referendum via petition, that member shall submit to the C.R.O.:

- a. the intent of the question;
- b. whether the question is a plebiscite or a referendum;
- c. the name, faculty, and student identification of that member;
- d. a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) deposit in the form of cash or a certified cheque or money order payable to the Students' Union.

(2) Upon receipt of a submission meeting the requirements set out in Section 6, the C.R.O. shall immediately forward the intent of the question to the Bylaw Committee.

(3) The Bylaw Committee shall approve within fourteen (14) days from receiving the intent of the question from the C.R.O., a petition question which:

- a. fully reflects the intent submitted by the member;
- b. if carried and acted upon, would not violate any Students' Union bylaws or any federal or provincial law;
- ~~c. where the plebiscite or referendum is to approve the collection of a University non-academic fee, provides for the formation of a permanent committee to oversee and direct the expenditure of this fee, such committee to have Students' Union members in voting positions proportional to the contribution of Students' Union members; 1~~
- ~~d. where the plebiscite or referendum is to approve the collection of a fee for a University facility or service, provides access by any Students' Union member to that facility or service.~~

(4) Students' Council shall, at the meeting following the drafting of the petition question by the Bylaw Committee as set out in Section 6(3), approve a question which meets the criteria set out in Section 6(3) unless the question would cause Students' Council to breach its fiduciary responsibility to the Students' Union.

(5) Sections 6(2) and 6(3) notwithstanding, where it is not possible for the Bylaw Committee or Students' Council to approve a petition question which meets the criteria set out in Section 6(4), neither the Bylaw Committee or Students' Council shall approve such a question.

(6) Students' Council shall have the authority to call a plebiscite or referendum without a petition.

(7) Prior to being approved by Council all plebiscite and referendum questions must be drafted by the Bylaw Committee.

Bylaw 3000

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(Created page with ""A Bylaw Respecting Students' Union Finances" == Fiscal Year == # The fiscal year of the Students' Union lasts from May 1 until the following April 30. == Audit == # T..."")

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Line 15:

	## the Sponsorship Reserve,
	## the Elections Reserve,
-	## the Student Refugee Fund,
-	## the CJSR-FM88 Fund,
-	## the Student Involvement Endowment Fund,
-	## the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund,
-	## the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund,
-	## the Access Fund,
-	## the Student Legal Services of Edmonton Fund,
-	## the Alberta Public Interest Research Group Fund, and
-	## the Gateway Student Journalism Fund.
	# The General Operations Reserve shall be used for the operations of the Students' Union as provided for in the operating budget.
	# The Capital Equipment Reserve shall be used for the purchase and replacement of Students' Union capital equipment.

Line 29:

	# The Sponsorship Reserve shall be used for the support of such Students' Union activities as may be identified in the operating budget as requiring sponsorship support.
	# The Elections Reserve shall be used to support Students' Union endorsed political campaigns related to municipal, provincial, and federal elections.
-	# The Student Refugee Fund shall be used for the support of those students selected as participants in the World University Service of Canada Student Refugee Sponsorship Program.

Line 15:

	## the Sponsorship Reserve,
	## the Elections Reserve,
+	## the Student Involvement Endowment Fund, and
+	## the Access Fund.
+	## each individual Dedicated Fee Unit listed in the Bylaw 6100 schedule
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	# The General Operations Reserve shall be used for the operations of the Students' Union as provided for in the operating budget.
	# The Capital Equipment Reserve shall be used for the purchase and replacement of Students' Union capital equipment.

Line 23:

	# The Sponsorship Reserve shall be used for the support of such Students' Union activities as may be identified in the operating budget as requiring sponsorship support.
	# The Elections Reserve shall be used to support Students' Union endorsed political campaigns related to municipal, provincial, and federal elections.

- # **The CISR-FM88 Fund shall be used for the support of the First Alberta Campus Radio Association.**
- # The Student Involvement Endowment Fund shall be used for the support of the awards provided by the Awards Committee.
- # **The Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund shall be used for the support of University of Alberta varsity athletics.**
- # **The Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund shall be used for the support of University of Alberta Campus Recreation programs.**
- # The Access Fund shall be used for the support of undergraduate University of Alberta students requiring financial assistance.
- # **The Student Legal Services of Edmonton Fund shall be used for the support of Student Legal Services of Edmonton.**
- # **The Alberta Public Interest Research Group Fund shall be used for the support of the Alberta Public Interest Research Group.**
- # **The Gateway Student Journalism Fund shall be used for the support of the Gateway Student Journalism Society.**
- # Except as otherwise provided in Students' Union bylaw, Students' Council retains the sole authority to transfer or spend money in a Students' Union reserve.
- # A budgeted reserve not spent in its entirety, shall have its budgeted monies available in future year(s) for related purchases as originally deemed. Reserve funds carried over shall be accurately and openly presented on the audited financial statements.

The Student Involvement Endowment Fund shall be used for the support of the awards provided by the Awards Committee.

The Access Fund shall be used for the support of undergraduate University of Alberta students requiring financial assistance.

Except as otherwise provided in Students' Union bylaw, Students' Council retains the sole authority to transfer or spend money in a Students' Union reserve.

A budgeted reserve not spent in its entirety, shall have its budgeted monies available in future year(s) for related purchases as originally deemed. Reserve funds carried over shall be accurately and openly presented on the audited financial statements.

Line 62:

- # The base Students' Union membership fee shall not fluctuate by more than fifteen percent from year to year
- # In addition to the base Students' Union membership fee, Chair of Audit Committee shall maintain a schedule of dedicated fees to be collected.
- # **The fees on the schedule shall be divided into Class A Fees, Class B Fees, Class C Fees, and Class D Fees.**
- # Class A Fees may be amended or abolished only by
- ## Students' Council, or
- ## referendum.
- # **Class B Fees may be amended or abolished only by**

Line 49:

- # The base Students' Union membership fee shall not fluctuate by more than fifteen percent from year to year
- # In addition to the base Students' Union membership fee, Chair of Audit Committee shall maintain a schedule of dedicated fees to be collected.
- + # **The fees on the schedule shall be divided into Class A Fees, and Class B Fees.**
- # Class A Fees may be amended or abolished only by
- ## Students' Council, or
- ## referendum.
- + # **Class B fees may be amended or abolished as outlined in Bylaw 6100.**

-	## a joint resolution of Students' Council and one other body, specified in the schedule; or	+	
-	## referendum.	+	
-	# Class C Fees	+	
-	## shall include fees established after September 2009 and may only be amended or abolished by	+	
-	### Students' Council; or	+	
-	### referendum;	+	
-	## shall include Class A fees that are being increased beyond its current rate of change as per the schedule; and	+	
-	## shall exclude:	+	
-	### the Students' Union membership fee;	+	
-	### the Access Fund fee; and	+	
-	### any fee that is implemented for the direct purpose of paying a bond or mortgage which was approved by Students' Council.	+	
-	# Class D Fees	+	
-	## shall include fees established after September 2009 and may only be amended or abolished by	+	
-	### a joint resolution of Students' Council and one other body, specified in the schedule; or	+	
-	### referendum; and	+	
-	## shall include Class B fees that are being increased beyond its current rate of change as per the schedule;	+	
-	# Class C Fees and Class D Fees shall	+	
-	## implement an unconditional online opt-out for the total amount of the fee;	+	
-	## be reaffirmed by majority support for the total amount of their fee by campus-wide referendum at least once every five (5) years.	+	
	# 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.		# 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.
-	# Each Class A Fee, Class B Fee, Class C Fee, and Class D Fee listed on the schedule shall be allocated to a reserve specified in the schedule.	+	# Each Class A Fee, and Class B Fee listed on the schedule shall be allocated to a reserve specified in the schedule.
	# the schedule shall stipulate whether each fee is payable by students enrolled at Augustana Faculty		# the schedule shall stipulate whether each fee is payable by students enrolled at Augustana Faculty
	# The Students' Union will not allow for the implementation of a dedicated fee unit that, or		# The Students' Union will not allow for the implementation of a dedicated fee unit that, or

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A Bylaw Respecting Students' Union Finances

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1 Fiscal Year

1. The fiscal year of the Students' Union lasts from May 1 until the following April 30.

2 Audit

1. The Students' Union's financial statements shall be audited annually by a qualified accountant.
2. Students' Council shall approve each fiscal year's audited financial statements before the conclusion of the ensuing fiscal year.

3 Reserves

1. Students' Union reserves are
 - a. the General Operations Reserve,
 - b. the Capital Equipment Reserve,
 - c. the Building Reserve,
 - d. the Sponsorship Reserve,
 - e. the Elections Reserve,
 - f. the Student Involvement Endowment Fund, and
 - g. the Access Fund.
 - h. each individual Dedicated Fee Unit listed in the Bylaw 6100 schedule
2. The General Operations Reserve shall be used for the operations of the Students' Union as provided for in the operating budget.
3. The Capital Equipment Reserve shall be used for the purchase and replacement of Students' Union capital equipment.
4. The Building Reserve shall be used for the enhancement of facilities controlled by the Students' Union.
5. The Sponsorship Reserve shall be used for the support of such Students' Union activities as may be identified in the operating budget as requiring sponsorship support.
6. The Elections Reserve shall be used to support Students' Union endorsed political campaigns related to municipal, provincial, and federal elections.
7. The Student Involvement Endowment Fund shall be used for the support of the awards provided by the Awards Committee.
8. The Access Fund shall be used for the support of undergraduate University of Alberta students requiring financial assistance.

9. Except as otherwise provided in Students' Union bylaw, Students' Council retains the sole authority to transfer or spend money in a Students' Union reserve.
10. A budgeted reserve not spent in its entirety, shall have its budgeted monies available in future year(s) for related purchases as originally deemed. Reserve funds carried over shall be accurately and openly presented on the audited financial statements.

4 Form of Operating Budget

1. The Students' Union's operating budget shall take the form of the level of revenue and expenditure for each Students' Union operational unit.
2. The Students' Union operating budget shall include an allocation of not more than fifty thousand dollars per year, designated the Projects Allocation, to be used for projects that may arise over the course of the fiscal year.
3. The Students' Union's operating budget shall include an allocation of thirty thousand dollars per year, designated the Contingency Allocation, to be used for vital and unforeseen expenditures that may arise over the course of the fiscal year.
4. Except as otherwise provided for by Students' Union legislation, no person has the authority to make any expenditure of Students' Union funds or to seek actively to raise any revenue not contemplated in the operating budget.

5 Allocation Spending Authority

1. Students' Council has the authority to approve expenditures from the Projects Allocation.
2. The Executive Committee has the authority to approve expenditures from the Projects Allocation of not more than five thousand dollars for any single purpose.
3. The Executive Committee has the exclusive authority to approve expenditures from the Contingency Allocation.

6 Budget Process

1. Students' Council shall approve an operating budget before the beginning of each fiscal year.
2. In the event that Students' Council does not approve an operating budget before the beginning of a fiscal year, that fiscal year's operating budget 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.

7 Fees

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.
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 as outlined in Bylaw 6100.
7. 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.
8. Each Class A Fee, and Class B Fee listed on the schedule shall be allocated to a reserve specified in the schedule.
9. the schedule shall stipulate whether each fee is payable by students enrolled at Augustana Faculty
10. The Students' Union will not allow for the implementation of a dedicated fee unit that, or

- a. would cause the Students' Union to breach its fiduciary responsibility to the Students' Union; or
 - b. supports activities that are beyond the scope and mandate of the Students' Union as outlined in the Post Secondary Learning act §93(3)
11. For the purpose of determining the scope and mandate of the Students' Union, Students' Council will consider whether the activities that are in question would:
- a. provide services that are of a direct benefit to the University of Alberta campus community, including students in their pursuit of a post secondary education; or
 - b. eliminate obstacles for students in their pursuit of a post secondary education at the University of Alberta

8 Loans

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

9 Contracts

1. 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.

10 Signing Authority

1. All cheques and contracts must be signed by at least one of the Vice President (Operations & Finance) or the President.
 - a. The Vice President (Operations & Finance) or President may delegate this authority to a member of the Executive Committee or Senior Management of the Students' Union if:
 - i. Both the Vice President (Operations & Finance) and the President are simultaneously unavailable and time is of the essence; or
 - ii. It is practical to do so.

Bylaw 6100

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A Bylaw Respecting Dedicated Fee Units

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1 Amendments

1. Any amendments to this Bylaw must be reported to each Dedicated Fee Unit.

2 Definitions

1. "Dedicated Fee Unit" shall refer to any entity that collects fees from students through the Students' Union for the purposes of covering operating costs or providing grants under this bylaw.
2. "Registered Student Group" shall refer to a student group at the University of Alberta that has successfully registered with Student Group Services.
3. "Finance Committee" shall refer to the University of Alberta Students' Council Finance Committee.
4. "Referendum" shall refer to the definition in Bylaw 2200
5. "CPI" shall refer to the Consumer Price Index for the Province of Alberta

3 Creation

1. Dedicated Fee Units shall only be created after a successful Referendum.
2. Entities that wish to establish a Dedicated Fee Unit shall submit a proposal to the main office of the Students' Union by November 15th, of the year before the fee is to be implemented.
3. The proposal must outline at minimum:
 - a. The purpose of the fee;
 - b. The amount, per student per term, of the fee;
 - c. Whether students are able to opt out of the fee;
 - d. How the fee is administered to part time students and Augustana;
 - e. Whether or not the fee applies to the Spring and Summer terms;
 - f. Any other requirements specific to the type of fee being proposed.
4. Upon receipt, the proposal shall be immediately forwarded to the Bylaw Committee.
5. The Bylaw Committee shall approve within fourteen (14) days from receiving the proposal, a petition question that reflects the original intent of the proposal and outlines the following:
 - a. The purpose of the fee;
 - b. The amount, per student per term, of the fee;
 - c. The composition of the committee or board overseeing administration of the fee;
 - d. A provision for the appointment of minimum one Students' Council member by Students' Council to the board or committee overseeing administration of the fee, as a voting member;
 - e. How the fee is administered to part time, Augustana, and off campus students;

- f. Whether or not the fee applies to the Spring and Summer terms;
 - g. If any portion of the fee is for a University facility or service, a provision to guarantee access by any Students' Union member to that facility or service; and
 - h. If students may opt out of paying the fee, a provision for them to do so online, provided by the Students' Union
6. If the Bylaw Committee is perceived to have failed in this matter, the issue may be brought to the Disciplinary Interpretation and Enforcement Board by the entity proposing the question.
 7. Students' Council will not allow for the implementation of a Dedicated Fee Unit that:
 - a. would cause the Students' Council to breach its fiduciary responsibility to the Students' Union; or
 - b. supports activities that are beyond the scope and mandate of the Students' Union as outlined in the Post Secondary Learning Act.
 8. For the purposes of determining the scope and mandate of the Students' Union, Students' Council will consider whether the activities that are in questions would
 - a. provide services that directly benefit the University of Alberta campus community, including students in their pursuit of a post secondary education; or
 - b. eliminate obstacles for students in their pursuit of a post secondary education at the University of Alberta.
 9. The entity wishing to establish a fee must return a signed, valid petition to the Chief Returning Officer of the SU as per Bylaw 2200 in order to initiate a Referendum.
 10. Students' Union services or operations may request that Council consider their proposed question for a Referendum on a Dedicated Fee Unit without conducting the petition subject to the following conditions:
 - a. the question has been drafted by Bylaw Committee;
 - b. the question satisfies all conditions outlined under section 3.5 of this bylaw; and
 - c. if the referendum is successful, the service or operation ceases to be provided by the Students' Union
 11. Except as otherwise stipulated in this bylaw, any Referendum shall be conducted in accordance with Bylaw 2200.

4 Review

1. Dedicated Fee Units shall be re-evaluated by plebiscite at least every five (5) years.
2. The plebiscite question shall be drafted in the same manner as the original petition question, as outlined in Section 3.5 of this bylaw
3. If a Dedicated Fee Unit fails to submit the proposed question by January 15, Bylaw committee will assume responsibility for drafting the plebiscite question
4. Dedicated Fee Units 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.
5. Dedicated Fee Units that wish to raise their fee beyond CPI must first hold a Referendum as per Section 3 of this bylaw.

5 Oversight

1. Finance Committee shall be responsible for the oversight of all Dedicated Fee Units.
2. Finance Committee may make requests for financial documentation from Dedicated Fee Units as deemed necessary.
3. A Schedule detailing the following information for each Dedicated Fee Unit shall be maintained by the Vice President Operations and Finance:
 - a. a description of the fee;
 - b. the amount of the fee;
 - c. whether the fee increases and by how much;
 - d. whether the fee is opt out;
 - e. the next scheduled plebiscite date; and
 - f. whether part time, off campus, and Augustana students are required to pay the fee

4. Unless otherwise specified in the appropriate Schedule, all fees in the Schedules increase annually at a rate equal to CPI.
5. For all fees with an opt-out mechanism, the Students' Union shall exclusively provide for online opt-outs.

6 Conditions of Receipt

1. In order for a Dedicated Fee Unit to receive funds from the Students' Union, it must:
 - a. fulfill all reporting requirements; and
 - b. be fulfilling all relevant mandates, bylaws, and standing orders.
2. No funds shall be disbursed to a Dedicated Fee Unit until such time as the Finance Committee has approved this disbursement.
3. Where a Dedicated Fee Unit is in compliance with the conditions set out in 6.1, the Finance Committee shall approve the disbursement of funds by August 31 of that fiscal year or within four weeks, whichever is later.
4. Finance 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.

Bylaw 6200

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A Bylaw Respecting Operational Dedicated Fee Units

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1 Amendments

1. Any amendments to this Bylaw must be reported to each Operational Dedicated Fee Unit.

2 Definitions

1. All definitions in Section 2 of the Bylaw Respecting Dedicated Fee Units shall read into Section 2 of this bylaw.
2. "Operational Dedicated Fee Unit" shall refer to a Dedicated Fee Unit that does not use one hundred percent of its monies for granting purposes.
3. "Society" shall refer to a registered society under the Alberta Societies Act

3 Eligibility

1. The following entities are eligible to initiate a referendum as per Bylaw 6100 to become an Operational Dedicated Fee Unit:
 - a. Registered student groups;
 - b. Students' Union services and operations; and
 - c. Registered Societies.
2. After becoming an Operational Dedicated Fee Unit, the group is required to transition to a Society within a year of the successful referendum in order to receive its funds.
3. Groups will receive their funding their first year regardless of their status as a Society
4. An organization may only receive one Dedicated Fee Unit under this bylaw

4 Reporting

1. All Operational Dedicated Fee Units shall provide an annual report of their finances to the Finance Committee within four months of the end of their fiscal year.
2. This report shall include:
 - a. A budget illustrating how funds received from the Students' Union reserve will be spent during the coming year;
 - b. Its audited financial statements from the previous fiscal year;
 - c. Evidence of compliance with all contracts with the Students' Union;
 - d. Evidence that they are fulfilling their mandate as described under this bylaw; and
 - e. Such other information as may be required by the Finance Committee to determine whether it is fulfilling its mandate under this bylaw.

3. Budgeted Fee Unit funds not spent in their entirety shall remain available in future year(s) for related purchases as originally deemed.
4. Reserve funds carried over shall be accurately and openly presented on the audited financial statements.
5. Operational Dedicated Fee Units must have their yearly audited financial statements, and board meeting minutes posted publicly online

5 Mandates

1. The mandate of an Operational Dedicated Fee Unit will contain at minimum:
 - a. The name of the society as registered under the Alberta Societies Act;
 - b. A description of the primary operations and aims of the group;
 - c. The purposes and/or projects that the money will fund; and
 - d. Any restrictions or rules that apply to the use of that funding.
2. Operational Dedicated Fee Unit mandates shall be reviewed by the Students' Union Vice President Operations and Finance, or the Finance Committee as needed.
3. Mandates may only be amended by:
 - a. a joint resolution of Students' Council and one other body, specified in the schedule; or
 - b. Referendum.
4. Mandates shall be included in the Schedule for Dedicated Fee Units

Bylaw 6300

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A Bylaw Respecting Granting Dedicated Fee Units

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1 Amendments

1. Any amendments to this Bylaw must be reported to each Granting Dedicated Fee Unit.

2 Definitions

1. All definitions in Section 2 of the Bylaw Respecting Dedicated Fee Units shall read into Section 2 of this bylaw.
2. "Granting Dedicated Fee Unit" shall refer to a Dedicated Fee Unit that uses one hundred percent of its Dedicated Fee Unit monies for granting.

3 Eligibility

1. The following entities are eligible to initiate a referendum as per Bylaw 6100 to become a Granting Dedicated Fee Unit:
 - a. University of Alberta Undergraduate Students.

4 Reporting

1. All Granting Dedicated Fee Units shall upon request by the Finance Committee provide a report of their finances that includes:
 - a. Proof of expenditures from the previous year's grants, as requested;
 - b. Evidence of compliance with all contracts with the Students' Union; and
 - c. Such other information as may be required by the Finance Committee.
2. Granting Dedicated Fee Units must submit a list of successful applicants and how funds will be allocated amongst them to the Finance Committee for approval before funds may be disbursed to those applicants.
3. Finance Committee shall approve or deny this list of successful grant applicants in its entirety, and may not target specific applicants for approval or denial.
4. Finance Committee may only deny this list of applicants and withhold the Fee Unit's funds if:
 - a. Approving this list would result in a breach of the fiduciary responsibility of the Students' Union;
 - b. The list contradicts any restrictions or rules for use of the Granting Dedicated Fee Unit's funds that exist in its Standing Orders, in the Finance Committee Standing Orders, or in this bylaw's schedule; or
 - c. There are significant concerns over misuse or unfair allocation of granting funds.



FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: **October 28th 2014**Time: **6.13 pm**

2014 – 2015

Motions

1.	<i>HANSRA/SLEIMAN moved to approve the agenda for October 28, 2014 as amended.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> <i>5/0/0</i>
2.	<i>SLEIMAN/HODGSON moved to approve the minutes for September 30, 2014 as amended.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> <i>4/0/1</i>
3.	<i>HODGSON/SLEIMAN moved to amend the Finance Committee's Standing Orders 83.f as below:</i> from- <i>Voting membership on Students' Council or any of its standing committees, with exception of the Finance Committee, or any positions that have been granted by virtue of membership on Students' Council, shall not be a consideration in the selection of award recipients.</i> to- <i>Voting membership on Students' Council or any of its standing committees, with exception of the Finance Committee, or any positions that have been granted by virtue of membership on Students' Council, shall not be a preferential consideration in the selection of award recipients.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> <i>5/0/0</i>
4.	<i>CHEN/DIAZ moved to approve the price increases for the Daily Grind and the Undergrind.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> <i>5/0/0</i>
5.	<i>HODGSON/SLEIMAN moved to adjourn the meeting.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> <i>5/0/0</i>



BYLAW COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: **October 29th 2014**Time: **7.05 pm**2011 – 2012 **MEETING #**

Motions

1.	<i>KWAN / ZHANG moved to approve minutes</i>	<i>CARRIED 4/0/1 (one abstained)</i>
2.	<i>KWAN / ZHANG moved to proceed with camera-on</i>	<i>5/0/0</i>
3.	<i>KWAN / ZHANG moved to proceed with camera</i>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>
4.	<i>KWAN/ALLARD moved to approve changes to Bylaw 500</i>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>
5.	<i>KWAN/ZHANG moved to discuss Bylaw 1500 in the next meeting</i>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>
6.	<i>KWAN/ZHANG moved to table 1500 and 500</i>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>
7	<i>KWAN/DIAZ moved to adjourn meeting</i>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>



Office of the Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative

November 4, 2014,

Hope all Councilors are doing well. I would like to send my most sincere condolences to the family of the student recently found deceased in HUB residence. One life lost is too many. We need to keep doing a better job at addressing and providing support for students dealing with psychological distress at the University of Alberta. Its also important to remind students about the tremendous support services that already exist on Campus including: The Landing which is found in Lower Level SUB as well as The Peer Support Center, The University Health Center and Counseling and Clinical Services, which are located on second floor SUB.

NTD: As a voting member of the Board, I have a fiduciary obligation to the University of Alberta (the “Institution”) this includes keeping certain matters that occur at the Board confidential, therefore I apologize in advance if I am unable to provide a thorough report or adequately answer your questions.

Board of Governors Report

President Lau and I attended new Member orientation for the University of Alberta Board of Governors on October 23, 2014, as well as the Board of Governors meeting on October 24, 2014.

At the meeting the board approved the reappointment of Debra Pozega Osburn for a second term as Vice-President (University Relations). Based on historical precedence, new incoming University Presidents generally tend to hire new Vice Presidents. If this occurs at the University of Alberta, Ms. Osburn may quickly become the long the longest serving Vice President under a new President.

As closed session documents become public, I will update Council on other Board approvals.

Meeting with Hon. Don Scott

With the tremendous assistance of Edmonton South-West MLA Matt Jeneroux, we have been able to secure a round table discussion with selected elected University of Alberta student leaders with Minister of Advanced Education, Don Scott on November 10, 2014. The attendees include the Student Union and representatives from the Graduate Student Association. A number of Faculty Association Presidents, representing a significant majority of University of Alberta Faculties, have confirmed their attendance as well. Larger faculties, including Science and Arts, and those Faculty Associations that requested were given additional seats.

It is with great regret and my sincerest apologies to inform Council that I will be unable to invite Council to this event due to capacity restrictions. When possible, I have worked with Faculty Associations to attempt to secure some sort of representation from Councilors. As a result Councilors will also be well represented, with 4 of the 20 attendees being Councilors. As a result I am confident that we have secured representation that will provide the Minister with a diverse cross section of Campus.

I would again like to thank MLA Matt Jeneroux. Since being elected Mr. Jeneroux has been a strong supporter of students and post-secondary education in Alberta. With elected leaders such as Mr. Jeneroux I am confident that we can build a world-class post secondary learning system in Alberta that is the international envy of our peers.

For further inquiries please feel free to ask during Question Period, or contact me at: hansra@ualberta.ca.

Regards,

Sangram Hansra, BSc

J.D Candidate, 2015

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November 4, 2014

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

Hello Council, apologies for the late report. I was on vacation last week and have been busy catching up. I was also out sick for a few days the week previous, so apologies if I haven't been the quickest at getting back to you over the last two weeks. This report will be quite minimalist as I was out of office about half the week.

PROJECTS

North Power Plant

Still working on editing and revising.

DFU Task Force

Fingers crossed this will finish tonight. I sent the bylaws to Council and am hoping to discuss them at tonight's meeting. This has been a long process but I'm very happy with the product we've ended up with and would like to thank everyone who has contributed.

Student Market Research Team (SMRT)

I've done some one on one meetings with the members of the team and will be prepping for our meeting next week.

Faculty Association Financial Reviews

Still need to review the proposed draft system.

CoSSS Fee

We had a very positive TBAC-MBAC meeting last week and the university will be having some meetings on their end to discuss some possibilities. We still don't have a lot of details but I'm hoping we'll know more soon.

OTHER:

Access Fund

No updates.

Bylaws

I'll have a number of bylaw changes coming forward for next Council.

FACRA

Had a board meeting and multiple other meetings.

Miscellaneous Items

- Strategic Planning Committee Meetings

Live Long and Prosper,

\$\$\$Cory Hodgson\$\$\$

(electronically submitted)

November 3rd, 2014

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Council (for November 4th meeting)

Dear Council,

I am submitting my report on the day of the meeting because I have some really recent developments that need to be reported on! I will also not be in Council today since I will be representing UofA students at the Conference Board of Canada's PSE Skills Summit in Toronto, along with President Lau. If you have questions about the content of my report, please email me before or ask one of my fellow Executives during Council.

Rally to Prioritize Post-Secondary Education

On October 27th and 28th, the members of CAUS met in Edmonton. We discussed a number of issues, but the most time sensitive is this – **we have collectively decided to host a rally at the Legislature!** After lobbying on the topic of market modifiers for roughly three months, we needed to ensure that students and the public understand the impact of tuition hikes and that this is only happening because of government underfunding. November 17th is significant for two reasons: it is the first day of the Fall sitting, meaning that is when the Speech from the Throne happens! It is the first day of governing so it's quite a symbolic day for everyone involved. Second, November 17th is the date on which the Ministry of Innovation and Advanced Education said the decision regarding market modifier proposals would be made.

However, this rally is about more than that – it's about telling the government that we want them to prioritize post-secondary education. Our institutions and students have been hit hard by reduced funding, and students especially so. Our courses have been cut, we've seen quality deteriorate, yet the price tag keeps rising. Our rally doesn't necessarily just have to be against tuition hikes. It is also *for* showing that students' interests *are* Alberta's interests. We have the lowest post-secondary participation rate in the country and it's time to change that if Alberta truly wants to sustain itself as a leading economy. Students from the University of Calgary, Mount Royal University, the University of Lethbridge, and MacEwan University will be joining us!

Right now, time is a big concern, seeing as we have only six business days until the rally. Despite that, I'm confident we can get large numbers of students out **but I'm counting on your support!** Many of you have approached me over the year so far expressing concern about things like tuition, fees, and underfunding. Now's your chance to engage your constituents and get them to come out and take a stand!

The details of the day itself will be sent out shortly, but stay tuned for a Facebook Event page and posters. The Faculty Associations and other Student Representative Associations will be notified on Wednesday. If you want to volunteer to do outreach (such as postering and class-talks), please email our Advocacy and Outreach Campaigns Officer at aoco@su.ualberta.

I'm dropping everything else for the next two weeks to focus on this so there is not much else to report. My time will be spent doing significant outreach to inform students about the rally. Right after the rally, I will be flying to Ottawa.

Cheers,



Navneet Khinda

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