STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday May 5, 2015 NRE 1 003

LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2015-01)

2015-01/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2015-01/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, May 20th, 2014

2015-01/2 PRESENTATIONS

2015-01/2a Robert's Rules of Order- Presented by Saadiq Sumar, Speaker. Sponsored by Councillor Zhang.

The purpose of this presentation is to provide information to Students' Council on Robert's Rules of Order and allow councillors to become more familiar with them. It will also allow councillors to gain more confidence in their knowledge and understanding of Robert's Rules.

2015-01/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2015-01/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2015-01/4a Report from the Chief Returning Officer

See document. LA.15.01.01

2015-01/5 QUESTION PERIOD

2015-01/6 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2015-01/6a PACHES moves to nominate one member of Students' Council to Audit Committee.

2015-01/6b Councillor Zhang moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to the Council

Administration Committee.

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2015-01/6c Councillor Kevin Wang moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to the Nominating Committee. 2015-01/7 **GENERAL ORDERS** RAHMAN/KHAN MOVE to abolish the Law Faculty Membership Fee (FMF). 2015-01/7a 2015-01/7b LEWIS MOVES to play election results on the screen during the meeting. 2015-01/8 **INFORMATION ITEMS** 2015-01/8a Report from VP Academic. See document LA.15.01.02 2015-01/8b DFU Board and Committee Descriptions. See document LA.15.01.03 2015-01/8c Letter from Student Legal Services.

See document LA.15.01.04

2015-01/8d Council Standing Committee Chair Appointments

See document LA.15.01.05

LA.15.01.01

Dear Council,

I apologize for not being able to have a formal PDF document for this as it slipped my mind (and I don't have computer access until late tonight), but for the sake of getting it on the Late Additions, please treat this email as an official appointment.

In accordance with Students' Union Bylaw 100, Section 7(2), vacated seats on Students' Council shall be filled by the candidate who would have been elected had another seat been allocated to the resigning councillor's faculty during the last election (Students' Council and GFC Election – March 2015).

In response to the recent resignation from the Faculty of Science, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Donald Ademaj to Students' Council to represent the Faculty of Science for the 2015-2016 year.

If you require any other information regarding these appointments, or regarding the councillor replenishment process, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me at cro@su.ualberta.ca.

Cheers,

Jessica



Office of the VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC



May 4, 2015

To: Council

Re: VPA Report

Dear Council,

I hope you're all enjoying the first few days of the spring term, and are taking time to appreciate the fresh air outside! I'm looking forward to working alongside all of you this year, and am excited to see what we'll be able to accomplish this year.

Here is a report on my duties to date:

1. Transition Retreat

Retreat was excellent in helping me get more settled into the role both the VP Academic and the Students' Union can play for undergraduates, and also helped the new team get settled. We've also started on our goal setting for the year, so stay tuned for more details on my plans for the year.

2. University Standing Committees

The VP Academic sits on over 50 committees, some of which are written into University Governance and some of which are administrative committees. I've only sat on the Standing Committee on Convocation, which discussed collecting feedback from graduates post-graduation as well as how to better incorporate Oaths into the ceremonies for professional Faculties.

Thanks so much for your time, and looking forward to the next report.

All the best, Fahim Rahman (Electronically submitted)

The Landing

What It Is: The Landing is a student space offering support for gender and sexual diversity. They strive to promote gender equity on a broad scale, and advocate for the safety and acceptance of individuals of all genders and sexualities in campus life. They support LGBTTQQPIANU+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Two-Spirit, Queer, Questioning, Pansexual, Intersex, Asexual, Non-Binary, Unlabelled, and more) communities and individuals, as well as their supporters, friends, family and loved ones.

Board Responsibilities: The Board approves funding for The Landing's Program Manager to distribute operating costs (wages, supplies, etc.), programming, and events. They manage the money granted to the Board through a DFU and approve the service's budget.

Council Rep Responsibilities: The Students' Council seat on the Board would represent the Students' Union's interests and values while on the Board. They would endeavour to attend all meetings (monthly), and provide term reports at the end of each term on the Board's work to the Finance Committee and, if necessary, Students' Council.

Gateway Student Journal Society

What It Is: The Gateway is the official student newspaper at the University of Alberta. It is published most Wednesdays during the academic year by the Gateway Student Journalism Society: a student-run, autonomous, apolitical not-for-profit organization. Objectives include sponsoring advancement of the education of University of Alberta students through the various practices of journalism and the publication of the Gateway, and to provide a fair, reliable, and clear source of information, focused mainly, but not exclusively, on issues that directly affect students.

Board Responsibilities: The Board makes decisions on the direction of the service through staffing and allocation of DFU funds. The Board does not influence the direction or content of published work, but holds hiring processes for employees of The Gateway and oversees the management of the service.

Council Rep Responsibilities: The Students' Council seat on the Board would represent the Students' Union's interests and values while on the Board. They would endeavour to attend all meetings (monthly), and provide term reports at the end of each term on the Board's work to the Finance Committee and, if necessary, Students' Council.

Health Centre Advisory Group

What It Is: HCAG works with the University Health Centre and advises the administration on matters related to student health (but does not create binding policies). They maintain an understanding of the collection and usage of the student Health Services fee, and strive to maximize the quality and capacity of service to students provided for by the student Health Services fee.

Board Responsibilities: To report and make recommendations to the SU and GSA Councils to effect optimal balance between quality and accessibility of service to undergraduate and graduate students. The group would be ultimately responsible for making recommendations to the two Councils regarding amendments to the student Health Services fee.

Council Rep Responsibilities: The Students' Council seat on the Board would represent the Students' Union's interests and values while on the Board. They would endeavour to attend all meetings (quarterly), and provide a report following the fourth meeting of the academic year to Students' Council.

Student Legal Services

What It Is: Student Legal Services of Edmonton (SLS) is a student-managed, non-profit society dedicated to helping low income individuals with legal issues in the Edmonton area. Each year, over 250 students from the University of Alberta Faculty of Law volunteer with SLS.

Board Responsibilities: The 12-member Board makes hiring decisions and guides the direction of the organization through its mandate and the programming it offers, and disperses their DFU to different programming as needed.

Council Rep Responsibilities: The Students' Council seat on the Board would represent the Students' Union's interests and values while on the Board. They would endeavour to attend all meetings (monthly), and provide term reports at the end of each term on the Board's work to the Finance Committee and, if necessary, Students' Council.

World University Service of Canada

What It Is: WUSC is a leading Canadian non-profit organization in international development, committed to building a more equitable and sustainable world. We work with a unique and powerful network of post-secondary institutions, private-sector partners and volunteers to provide education, employment and empowerment opportunities that improve the lives of millions of disadvantaged youth around the world.

Board Responsibilities: The Board makes decisions on funding student refugees' education in Canada through their DFU, and guides the organization based on its established vision.

Council Rep Responsibilities: The Students' Council seat on the Board would represent the Students' Union's interests and values while on the Board. They would endeavour to attend all meetings, and provide reports to Students' Council as needed.

Alberta Public Interest Research Group

What It Is: APIRG supports student- and community-based research, education, and social activism. They provide the administrative, informational and technological resources to help student working groups to transform social concern into effective action.

Board Responsibilities: The Board is responsible for approving grants to student projects from their DFUs, allocating money to the office budget, and acting out the vision and mission of the organization.

Council Rep Responsibilities: The Students' Council seat on the Board would represent the Students' Union's interests and values while on the Board. They would endeavour to attend all meetings (monthly), and provide term reports at the end of each term on the Board's work to the Finance Committee and, if necessary, Students' Council.

First Alberta Campus Radio Association

What It Is: FACRA operates CJSR FM 88.5, the campus/community radio station located at the University of Alberta. Their mandate is to enlighten and entertain their audience through high-quality and diverse programming that constantly challenges the status quo. They provide the public with a forum for airing their views, and provide free education to the public in the production of radio content.

Board Responsibilities: The Board guides the organization through its mission, and creates and maintains a budget through its DFU.

Council Rep Responsibilities: The Students' Council seat on the Board would represent the Students' Union's interests and values while on the Board. They would endeavour to attend all meetings (monthly), and provide term reports at the end of each term on the Board's work to the Finance Committee and, if necessary, Students' Council.





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May 5, 2015

Students' Union Building 8900 - 114 Street NW University of Alberta Edmonton, Alberta Dear Student Union Council,

I would like to thank everyone involved with your organization for the support that they have showed Student Legal Services over the past year. Without support of organizations such as yours, we would not be able to do the work that we do.

as a non-voting member of the Student Legal Services Board of Directors for the past input in deciding the direction that Student Legal Services will move toward has been process, as Azhar's prior involvement as a SLS volunteer and law student gave him a greatly appreciated. Azhar has been a valuable member of the Student Legal Services I would also like to express my gratitude to Azhar Khan. I have worked with Azhar unique insight into the structure and concerns of Student Legal Services. Azhar has incredibly knowledgeable about the SU and their procedures, and has been able to address all related concerns to the Board. The transition period was a very smooth taken a strong interest in the future expansion of Student Legal Services, and his year, during which time he has been an invaluable asset to us. Azhar has proven Board and I look forward to working with him in the upcoming school year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (587)-340-8054, or by email at <rlavalle@ualberta.ca>.

Sincerely

Robert LaValley

Student Legal Services of Edmonton Executive Coordinator

Council Standing Committee Chair Appointments *May 2015*

Nominating Committee

Councillor Kevin Wang

Finance Committee

Vice President Cody Bondarchuk

Bylaw Committee

Councillor Justis Allard

Council Administration Committee

Councillor Bo Zhang

Policy Committee

Councillor Jared Burton

Audit Committee

Councillor Robyn Paches