

**Tuesday, August 22, 2017  
Council Chambers, University Hall**

We would like to respectfully acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Cree, Dene, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge and work towards the decolonization of Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

**ORDER PAPER (SC 2017-07)**

**2017-07/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS**

**2017-07/1a** Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers.

**2017-07/2 PRESENTATIONS**

**2017-07/2a SUNDAY/SCOTT SPONSOR** a presentation from the members of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Ad Hoc Committee

***Presentation Description:***

*The members of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Ad Hoc Committee (AARC) will be going over their progress thus far in relation to its mandate. Also, the presentation will discuss some of ARRC's findings, as well as recommendations in moving forward.*

**2017-07/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**2017-07/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT**

**2017-07/5 OPEN FORUM**

**2017-07/6 QUESTION PERIOD**

**2017-07/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2017-07/7a Bill #2 - Joke Candidates - Second Reading**

**CHRISTENSEN/BROPHY MOVE** to approve the second reading of Bill #2 - Joke Candidates, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.

***First Principles***

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4. In the context of Bylaw 2400, it is unclear what happens if a joke candidate were to achieve more votes than a candidate in a race.
5. Bylaw 2400 shall be amended to clarify that, if a joke candidate does receive more votes than any other candidate, the joke candidate shall be dropped from the ballot and counting shall continue, with the joke candidates’ ballots being redistributed in accordance with normal conventions for SU elections.
6. In the context of Bylaw 2200 and 2300, a joke candidate may become a real candidate within 48 hours of being designated a joke candidate.
7. Bylaw does not currently stipulate when a person is designated a candidate.
8. Bylaw 2200 and Bylaw 2300 shall be amended to state that a person becomes a candidate at the nomination deadline.
9. Bylaw 2200 and Bylaw 2300 shall be amended to state a joke candidate may become a real candidate within 48 hours of the nomination deadline.

See SC 17-07.01.

**2017-07/7b Bill #3 - Universal Materials - *Second Reading***

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2. In 2016, a new framework was created, which attempted to simplify the

process of Universal Materials, although this process was largely unfollowed.

3. Universal Materials legislation shall be updated and simplified in the following ways:
  - a. The Universal Materials budget for each candidate, as defined in bylaw, will be abolished. Each candidate will have one and only one “main” budget for their expenses totalling the amount prescribed in Bylaw 2200 and 2300 respectively.
  - b. The C.R.O. shall provide only basic materials, herein “Universal Materials,” within the candidate workroom. The funding for these supplies shall be derived from the Elections Office budget. Candidates shall be permitted to use these supplies in the creation, dissemination, and/or distribution of their campaign materials. These supplies shall not be counted against the candidates’ budget.
  - c. The C.R.O. shall purchase or supply whatever basic materials they deem appropriate.
  - d. The C.R.O. shall provide a list of Universal Materials in the candidate nomination package.
  - e. The elections staff shall replenish the Universal Materials as they become depleted during the elections period, where feasible.
  - f. Excluding Universal Materials physically provided by the elections office, all other materials must be included in the candidate’s budget with costs, receipts and/or fair market assessment included.
4. Bylaw 2200 and 2300 shall be amended to implement these changes.

See SC 17-07.08.

**2017-07/7c SCOTT/BROPHY MOVE** upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, to approve the renewal of the Student Financial Assistance Policy based on the following first principles:

#### **1 Facts**

1. **Post-secondary** education is ~~must be viewed as~~ a public good due to the benefits it brings to the social structure and tax system.
2. The cost of attaining a post-secondary education includes tuition, fees, the cost of educational materials, and living expenses.
3. The cost of a university education as well as student debt continues to increase ~~has increased and continues to increase~~.
4. The high costs associated with university education pose a barrier to accessing, and a disincentive to completing a university education.

5. Students who do not receive financial assistance for their education may be required to take on large amounts of debt.
6. Some students require part or full time employment in order to finance their education.
7. There ~~is~~ ~~exists~~ an opportunity cost for individuals who choose to pursue an education rather than earnings from working.
8. Students partaking in part or full time employment do not have the same opportunity for academic achievements as those who do not require employment to finance their education.
9. The high cost associated with university education can be detrimental to academic and extracurricular student achievement ~~by diverting student focus and effort to employment.~~
10. Need-based aid, up-front grants, merit-based awards, and student loans are all integral parts of the student finance system.
11. The current need-based aid, tax credit system, and merit-based awards application process is inefficient and time consuming.
12. Need-based aid **is** an integral part of the student finance system, without which students in financial need could not afford a university education.
13. Merit-based awards target students who are less likely to have dire need of financial aid.
14. The University of Alberta should not only aim to attract talented students, but demonstrate a commitment to supporting undergraduate students with financial needs and assist them in realizing their full potential.

**2017-07/7d SCOTT/BROPHY MOVE**, upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, to approve the renewal of the Deferred Maintenance Policy based on the following first principles:

#### **1 Facts**

1. **Deferred maintenance is defined as an amount needed but not yet expended for repairs, restoration, or rehabilitation of an asset.**
2. Funding for routine building and systems preventive maintenance has been significantly cut back, resulting in a substantial backlog of deferred maintenance.
3. The accumulation of significant deferred maintenance liability represents a failure of the government to adequately fund the operations of the University.

4. Deferred maintenance reduces the quality of the undergraduate learning experience, the University's public image, and presents a potential health and safety hazard.
5. It is inappropriate for the University and the government to expect current and future undergraduates to fund the correction of historically deficient resource allocation.

**2017-07/8    GENERAL ORDERS**

**2017-07/8a    USHAKOV/PACHES MOVE** to appoint two members of Students' Council to the Campus Activities Board.

See SC 17-07.12

**2017-07/8b    CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE** to change Students' Council practice, precedent and custom by allowing students-at-larges and other non-Students' Councillors/Executives/Proxies/Designates to serve as voting members of Students' Council's standing committees.

**2017-07/9    INFORMATION ITEMS**

2017-07/9a    Report from the President.

See SC 17-07.09.

2017-07/9b    Report from Vice President (External).

See SC 17-07.02

2017-07/9d    Report from Vice President (Student Life).

See SC 17-07.03

2017-07/9e    Report from Vice President (Academic).

See SC 17-07.04

2017-07/9f    Report from Vice President (Operations and Finance).

See SC 17-07.05

2017-07/9g    Student Council Motion Tracking Sheet.

See SC 17-07.06

2017-07/9h    Student Council Attendance.

See SC 17-07.07

2017-07/9i Bill #2 - Joke Candidates Attachment

See SC 17-07.08

2017-07/9j Bill #3 - Universal Materials - *Second Reading* Attachment

See SC 17-07.09

2017-07/9k Bylaw Committee Spring/Summer Report

See SC 17-07.10

2017-07/9l Policy Committee Spring/Summer Report

See SC 17-07.11

2017-07/9m Campus Activities Board - Terms of Reference

See SC 17-07.12

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## **Bylaw 2200/2300**

### **2 Definitions**

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1. In this bylaw
  - a. “member” shall be anyone who is an undergraduate student currently enrolled in at least one course for credit at the University of Alberta;
  - b. “C.R.O.” shall be the Chief Returning Officer of the Students’ Union;

- c. "D.R.O." shall be a Deputy Returning Officer of the Students' Union;
- d. "D.I.E. Board" shall be the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board of the Students' Union, as set out in Judiciary of the Students Union Bylaw, Bylaw 1500;
- e. "faculty" shall be any entity defined by the University of Alberta General Faculties Council as either a faculty or a school and in which members are registered and shall include Open Studies;
- f. "council" shall be either be Students' Council or General Faculties Council (GFC) as the context requires;
- g. "general election" shall be the General Election of the Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors or the General Election of Faculty Councillors;
- h. "plebiscite" shall be a vote, open to all members, held on a given question but whose result is not legally binding upon the Students' Union;
- i. "referendum" shall be a vote, open to all members, held on a given question and whose result is legally binding upon the Students' Union;
- j. "side" shall be any person or group of people who have their registration as a plebiscite or referendum side accepted under this bylaw;
- k. "side manager" shall be a person registered as part of a plebiscite or referendum side who has been selected by those members of that side to serve as side manager for the purposes of this bylaw;
- l. "primary volunteer" shall be a person registered as part of a candidate's campaign who has been selected by that candidate to serve as primary volunteer for the purposes of this bylaw;
- m. "candidate" shall be any member whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;
- n. "joke candidate" shall be any candidate who chooses not to use their given name, a reasonable derivative of their given name, or their preferred name when appearing on the ballot.;
- o. "campaign" shall be the period of time during which campaign activities are permitted;

- p. "campaign activity" shall be any act, planned or organized by or on behalf of any candidate or side that is calculated to convince members to vote in a given way;
- q. "volunteer" shall be any individual who assists in campaign activities;
- r. "campaign expense" shall be any and all expenditures incurred in engaging in campaign activities;
- s. "campaign materials" shall be any physical or electronic media produced or distributed as part of campaign activities;
- t. "banner" shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material of a total area greater than four (4) square feet;
- u. "poster" shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material, of a total area of under four (4) square feet that is designed to be posted on a wall or similar place;
- v. "forum" shall be any event organized by an entity other than the Students' Union, a candidate, side, or a volunteer acting on behalf of a candidate or side at which campaign activities are facilitated;
- w. "University" shall be the University of Alberta;
- x. "academic year" shall be from May 1st to the following April 31st;
- y. "working hours" shall be any and all hours occurring between 0900 and 1700;

## 13 Acceptance of Candidate Nominations

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1. Where a member submits valid nomination papers, as set out in Sections 11(3) and 12 and prior to the nomination deadline as set out in Section 10, that member's nomination shall be accepted by the C.R.O. within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.
2. Should a member submit valid nomination papers, they shall be designated a candidate at the nomination deadline.

## 22 Joke Candidates

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1. A joke candidate shall be designated as such at the nomination deadline.
2. Where a candidate has been designated as a joke candidate, as set out in Section 2(n), and that candidate does not wish to be a joke candidate, that candidate may provide to the C.R.O. a new signed statement indicating the preferred name under

which they wish to appear on the ballot, within forty-eight (48) hours of the nomination deadline .

3. Where a candidate who has been designated a joke candidate exercises their right, as set out in Section 22(1), to submit a new name under which they wish to appear on the ballot, and where the new name is, at the discretion of the C.R.O., a reasonable derivative of that candidate's legal name, that candidate's designation as a joke candidate shall be

## 23 Candidates with Same or Similar Names

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1. Where two (2) or more candidates submit names that are either identical or so similar as to be effectively indistinguishable, the candidates shall provide the C.R.O with their preferred names for the ballot within forty-eight (48) hours of the nomination deadline. The preferred name must be a reasonable derivative of the candidate's legal name, be a name they use regularly, or be a name they have registered with the University
2. Where the C.R.O is not provided a preferred name by the candidate, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce what name each of the two (2) or more candidates shall use.

## 24 C.R.O. Shall List Candidates

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1. Within forty-eight (48) hours of nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall post the preferred name of each candidate as it will appear on the ballot.
2. The name must be:
  - a. a reasonable derivative of the candidate's legal name; or
  - b. a preferred name, for which the candidate has provided satisfactory evidence to the C.R.O. showing it is a name they regularly use; or
  - c. a name they have registered with the University.
3. Where no derivative or preferred name is provided to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall use the candidate's legal name.

## Bylaw 2400

## 8 Balloting and Counting– Executive, Board of Governors and Councillor Elections

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1. Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank their choices for each position using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first choice, and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.
2. A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate them as their first choice in order to be elected.
3. Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.
4. A section of a voter's ballot shall be considered spoiled where
  - a. that voter has indicated the same number for more than one (1) candidate;
  - b. that voter has not included the number one (1) next to any candidate;
  - c. that voter has indicated more than one (1) number next to the same candidate;
  - d. that voter has used non-consecutive numbers; or
  - e. that voter has left all candidates in a race unranked.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. Where a ballot is left with no first place vote for a given race, the section of that ballot in question shall be considered spoiled.
8. 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.
9. 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, and the C.R.O is

a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.

10. 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, and where this tie has existed on every count, and the C.R.O is a not a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race, then 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 C.R.O.
11. The process set out in Section 8 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 and removed from the ballot, and the process repeated with the remaining candidates not yet declared victorious.
12. The process set out in Section 8 shall continue for each position until such time as all the candidates are preferentially declared victorious.
13. Candidates shall be allocated seats as specified in Bylaw 100.
14. Where "None of the Above" is declared victorious, no further candidates shall be declared victorious.
15. Where a joke candidate is declared victorious, the joke candidate shall be dropped from the ballot and counting shall continue, with the joke candidates' ballots being redistributed in accordance this section.

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### **First Principles**

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## **Bylaw 2200/2300**

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## 11 Candidate Nomination Packages

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1. The C.R.O. shall make available to every member nomination packages not fewer than twenty (20) days before the nomination deadline as set out in Section 10.
2. The C.R.O shall produce nomination packages which shall contain, at minimum
  - a. complete and current copies of Bylaw 2200 and Bylaw 1500, the Judiciary of the Students' Union Bylaw;
  - b. contact information for the C.R.O. and D.R.O.s; and
  - c. the time, date, and location for the candidates meeting; and
  - d. the building code limits on banner size. In the absence of an upper limit, the C.R.O. will specify a size deemed appropriate.
  - e. A list of Universal Materials.
3. Valid nomination packages shall contain:
  - a. The signed acceptance of the nomination by the proposed nominee;
  - b. a signed letter from the proposed nominee's faculty confirming that they are in good academic standing under University regulations;
  - c. a statement, signed by the proposed nominee, identifying the name under which they wish to appear on the ballot.
  - d. nomination papers soliciting the name, contact information, and student identification number of the proposed nominee; and
  - e. the position the nominee wishes to contest nominations papers soliciting the names, faculties, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least fifty (50) and at most one hundred (100) members as nominators; and
  - f. A fifty dollar (\$50.00) deposit in the form of cash, certified cheque, or money order payable to the Students' Union

## 28 Universal Materials

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1. Candidates and sides are required to submit a campaign budget. .
2. No individual candidate or side shall make use of any materials, products, or resource that are not:

- a. accounted for as part of that candidate's or side's campaign budget; or
  - b. a Universal Material
- 3. Universal Materials shall be defined as basic materials provided by the Elections Office within the candidate workroom.
  - i. Candidates shall be permitted to use these supplies in the creation, dissemination, and/or distribution of their campaign materials.
- 4. These supplies shall not be counted against the candidates' campaign budget.
- 5. The C.R.O. shall purchase or supply whatever basic materials they deem appropriate. The elections office shall replenish these Universal Materials as they become depleted during the elections period, where feasible.
- 6. Basic materials that shall be provided include, at a minimum:
  - i. Staples; and
  - ii. Tape; and
  - iii. Lawn signs; and
  - iv. Push pins;
  - v. Any other basic materials the C.R.O. chooses to provide.
- 7. The C.R.O. shall provide a list of Universal Materials in the candidate nomination package.
- 8. Excluding Universal Materials physically provided by the elections office, all other materials must be included in the candidate or side's campaign budget with costs, receipts and/or fair market assessment included.
- 9. Where a candidate or side contravenes Section 28 the C.R.O. shall assess a punitive fine and take any other recourse as prescribed under Section 47.

**Campus Activities Board  
Terms of Reference  
2017-07-17**

**Mandate**

The overall goal of the board will be to implement new events in the Students' Union event portfolio and evaluate current events and programming.

The group shall develop an idea for a new event and implement it in a year, as well as construct an evaluation method and implement it on current events and programming.

**Membership**

- Vice-President (Student Life), Ex-Officio;
- Manager - Programming and Venues, Ex-Officio;
- Campus Activities Board Chair, Ex-Officio;
- Three student-at-large members; and
- Up to two members of Students' Council.

Members will be appointed to the board for one year terms, aside from ex-officio members.

Other student-at-large positions may be included at the discretion of the chair or the VPSL and with the advice of the Committee. For example, if the event creation is done through partnership with a student group, members of that student group can be added as student-at-large members.

**Chairs**

The chair will be hired as a volunteer position for the year and be referred to as Campus Activities Board Chair. The VPSL will act as Vice Chair for the committee.

**Responsibilities**

Specific responsibilities of the Advisory Group include but are not limited to:

- Developing their own event or partner with a student group to expand an event idea.
- Developing a method of evaluating the programming currently implemented by operational staff at the SU and implementing said method.

**Event Implementation and Decision-making**

Decisions of the board should be made simple majority.

Events implemented by the board should, in most cases, have a broad appeal.

The board should limit themselves to directly executing one or two events a year. At the board's discretion, the board may also consult and advise other parties on campus event planning.

**Meetings**

Meetings will be held as required, but not less than once per month. Meetings will take place in person.

**Quorum**

Quorum for meetings will be attendance by a simple majority of regular Board members.

**Duration**

The Campus Activity Board will remain in place at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

**Amending the Terms of Reference**

The Terms of Reference shall be established and amended as necessary by the Executive Committee of the Students' Union.

August 22, 2017

**To:** Students' Council

**Re:** Report to Students' Council

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Hello Council,

Hope everyone is having a great last month before school starts. I can't believe how fast the summer has flown by! I am writing this report in Vancouver, as the executive and I will be attending the Students' Union Development Summit at UBC over the weekend.

## **Goals**

### Student Rights

Our department of Political Research and Advocacy has finished a summer research project looking into student rights on campus and comparing the U of A to other Universities. This is good news as it means we are one step closer to establishing a committee to look at a Charter of Students Rights on campus.

## **University Business**

### Lunch with Government Relations

Most of my University meetings do not run in the months of July and August, so there is not much to report on that front. VP Larsen and I did go for lunch with folks from the University's Government Relations office though. This was a valuable meeting because it is beneficial for VP Larsen and I to know the conversations that the University is having with government. That way our efforts can be coordinated instead of contradictory.

## **Internal SU Business**

### Internal Meetings

As I have been out of town for large portions of the past month, I have not been in attendance at as many internal meetings. That being said, all our internal committees are still productive and going well. Lots of people in the office are getting prepared for Week of Welcome and Orientation!

## **External Business**

### CASA

VP Larsen and I could not be present at our last council meeting because we were at the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations Policy and Strategy conference in Kananaskis. This conference was very beneficial as all the committees got to decide on

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their projects and priorities for the upcoming year. Since the conference I have had a conference call meeting with the Internal Review Committee, which I am on as a committee member. During this meeting we discussed reviewing operating policy for CASA and the upcoming strategic plan review. I was also elected Vice-Chair of this committee, which I am excited about.

#### Introduction to Government

VP Larsen, myself, as well as other student leaders in Alberta attended Introduction to Government. This was a two-day informational session where staff from the Ministry of Advanced Education briefed student leaders on how government interacts with post secondary education. At the mixer on the first day and during the morning of day two, we were able to speak directly with Minister Schmidt about issues affecting students in University.

#### Edmonton Student Alliance Meeting

VP Larsen and I attended an Edmonton Student Alliance meeting. This was a productive meeting where we discussed orientation and the upcoming municipal elections. At our next meeting we will be discussing municipal issues that affect our students, so when we talk with candidates we are familiar with each other's issues. I am also happy to report that the University of Alberta Students' Union will be participating in a citywide orientation event! This was a platform goal of mine, to better orient international and out of town students to Edmonton. The event is aimed at students who are new to Edmonton and showcasing all the wonderful things our city has to offer.

#### Meeting with MLAs and UCP

VP Larsen and I have been spending time meeting with different members of government. We had a productive meeting with NDP MLA Annie McKittrick where we discussed U of A specific issues. We also traveled down to Calgary with the Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS) to meet with the interim leader of the United Conservative Party (UCP), Nathan Cooper, as well as attend a UCP mixer. The meeting with Interim Leader Cooper went very well and we were able to explain all of the CAUS priorities for the upcoming year. The mixer also went well, as we were able to speak with many members of government and staff. The mixer was also the first and last event that MLA Fildebrandt attended as a member of the United Conservative Party.

## Other Exciting Endeavors

### FA Dinners

The exec is still making its way through all our meals with Faculty Association executive teams. Our last dinner was with the Engineering Students' Society. At the dinner we learned about all the exciting things the ESS is doing in the upcoming year, it certainly seems like they are in for a great year!

### Dinner with 2016/2017 Exec

Before former President Rahman and former VP Ghossein move across the country for law school, we had a dinner as the 2016/2017 executive team. It was absolutely great to see all of them again and I was excited to hear about all the new adventures they have been going on.

## Closing Remarks

As always my spring/summer office hours are Wednesday's from 12:00PM-1:00PM in Students' Union Building (SUB) Suite 2-900. Please feel free to drop by during this time if you ever want to chat.

Thank you for reading my report and happy to answer any questions you may have.

Marina Banister  
UASU President

Date: June 13, 2017  
To: Students' Council  
Re: Report to Students' Council

Hi Council,

My office has been relatively busy this month, and I've been traveling fairly extensively. Right now I am again on the road and in Vancouver, so looking forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday. The summer has flown by, however, so has some projects and goals. I have crisscrossed Alberta, so many times now it is hard to count.

### CASA Policy & Strategy

From Monday, July 24th - 27th I was at CASA Policy and Strategy in Kananaskis. Over that time I had to come back to Edmonton for the Funding Frameworks, but that will be another section. Overall the conference was very productive, we saw policy strategies put forward, and UASU was in favor of all motions presented. We continue to have a strong presence nationally, and it's great to see Albertan student needs taken into account.

### Funding Frameworks Consultation

On Wednesday the 26th, Conner Peta (CAUS Vice Chair), Josh Mckewon (CAUS ED) and I all attended a Funding Frameworks Consultation hosted by the Ministry of Advanced Education. It was an incredibly important meeting, as we discussed how universities would be funded in Alberta. We followed CAUS's policy, which can be found online in full, but in short was to push for an accessible, sustainable, and affordable model for students.

### Introduction to Government



Minister Marlin Schmidt with CAUS Members

On August 1st and 2nd I attended the Ministry of Advanced Education's Introduction to Government as the Chair of CAUS. This consultation is something that happens every year and it brings together all of the student leaders from across the province to give input to the Minister directly. Conner and I were there to give a presentation on behalf of CAUS and answer questions, which overall went very well. We were the only provincial group to have our priorities completed for the consultation, have a solid presentation, and all members on point, so I was thrilled with the advocacy done. My favorite part was a mixer that the Minister attended, where we were able to have some extra one-on-one time.

### Edmonton Student Alliance

The Edmonton Student Alliance met briefly on August the 8th. We discussed topics such as the upcoming municipal election, the mandate of the group, and attendance at the International Student Orientation to Edmonton. We hope to see some increased cooperation on the election cycle and will primarily make sure that UASU interests are maintained.

### Advocacy Meetings



MLA and Opposition Leader Nathan Cooper with CAUS Delegates

This month while in Edmonton I was able to meet with MLA's McKittrick and Woollard, both of which went very well. In Calgary, on August 9th I was fortunate enough to represent CAUS's interests to Nathan Cooper, the new leader of the United Conservative Party (UCP), with members from all CAUS member institutions. It was a very productive meeting, as it was important to push for student centered policies with this new party. President Banister and I also attended the UCP mixer that afternoon, where we were able to speak with members of the entire caucus. We are doing our best to follow the updates from the UCP and all other provincial politics currently ongoing.

That's all for now! Any questions, please feel free to email me anytime!

Cheers,



Reed Larsen

August 17th, 2017

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

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Hello Council!

The summer is almost wrapped up, it's wild to think that first years will be moving in about a week, orientation will be in swing in no time, and before you know it fall classes will begin. I feel like this summer has flown by, but has also been extremely productive and rewarding. Here are some of the things I've been up to:

#### **UASU Cares**

The mental health website is well underway, we are still finishing up the data base and working out some marketing details but as soon as everything is complete I will be sharing links and asking for a lot of feedback. Throughout the year, I will be working to grow this website and ensure that it has all the resources students will need in order to succeed in their academic endeavors. Once it is live, I would love all the feedback I can get from all of you and your constituents.

#### **Health and Dental Committee**

We had orientation for all the members of the Health and Dental Committee and have started conversations with StudentCare on how to best serve students in the upcoming year. We will likely be having a presentation in Council about the Health and Dental plan coming up within the next few meetings to get you guys informed on how the plan works and allow you to ask any questions you might have.

#### **First Responder to Sexual Assault and Abuse Training**

I took this training through Alberta Sexual Assault Services and found it quite valuable. I have been looking at different response training student leaders can take at the University of Alberta, and this one is up there in quality. It is really important that we support each other as students and that the students that want to be a resource to their peers have flexibility in obtaining this sort of training within their busy schedules.

#### **RATT on the Patio**

Our staff has done an incredible job putting on RATT on the Patio. It has been a pleasure to attend and see students, staff and alumni in presence coming together on the summer days enjoying the hot sun.

#### **Commitment to End Gender Based Violence**

Our school is a partner with the city to end gender-based violence, and I have been working with the city to continue to work in this area. IBelieveYou Campaign will be coming up in September and now that our sexual violence policy is written, it is quite important to ensure that our school

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continues to move in the right direction as together we can help educate our peers on the importance of taking a stand against gender based violence.

**Golden Bears and Pandas Legacy Fund**

Vice President Paches and I had an afternoon going through all the Legacy Fund applications and are thrilled to see the year that will come for all of our teams. It is exciting to see the teams getting more involved on campus and having a greater impact on our community.

**Residence Move In**

The executive and I will be volunteering for move-in day to greet the first years and returners coming back in Lister Centre and East Campus Village on September 28th. It's going to be an involved day and I cannot wait to see the campus full of motivated faces.

**The Landing Board**

Attended the Landing board meeting, we are currently looking for more staff for our services. You can find the job postings on <http://thelandingualberta.ca/index.php/job-postings>, feel free to give them a share as this is a great service that provides a lot of students support.

**Students Union Development Summit**

The executive and I will be attending the Students Union Development Summit this upcoming weekend. I am excited to reconnect with many student leaders across the country and meet plenty of new faces as well. The sessions look quite insightful and educational as well so I am excited to share the knowledge I will obtain throughout this weekend. It is always a worthwhile opportunity to share what our Students' Union does and gain insight on what other schools do as well to see if there is opportunity for growth.

Overall it's been a fantastic summer and I am really excited to see what the year will have to offer. Feel free to reach out and come visit me on office hours: Wednesdays 3:30 – 4:30PM. Shoot me an email too; I would love to chat just about anything, especially if I can help your goals in any way.

Thanks for reading, until next time.



Ilya Ushakov



August 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017

**To:** Students' Council

**Re:** Report to Students' Council

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Dear Council,

As the summer comes to a close I am growing more and more excited for September, ready to welcome new and old students alike to campus. It is hard to believe that the nearly one third of my term as VP Academic has passed. I also look forward to the fall as that is when the governance cycle on campus resumes, with General Faculties Council and its various committees holding their first meetings of the academic year.

#### GovWeek 2017

GovWeek planning is in full swing – there are only 31 days from writing this till the GovWeek kickoff on September 18<sup>th</sup>. We had our applications up for nearly 4 weeks and in that time we received applications for events and sessions from faculty associations, department associations, labor groups and university representatives alike, among many more. While the schedule is still going through a few last steps before it is finalized, we will certainly have a full and exciting week on campus. There will be a few large events to note, including the opening and closing keynotes on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> respectively, as well as a municipal debate in the Myer Horowitz theatre on Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup>.

The GovWeek Advisory Group (GWAG) has been very active in the planning process thusfar and will continue to be moving forward. GWAG has been instrumental in creating the vision for GovWeek 2017, promoting applications, selecting sessions and adjudicating grants for groups which requested financial assistance. GWAG will also act as ambassadors of the Students' Union during GovWeek, attending sessions and promoting the scheduled activities.

#### Academic Relations Group

I have received a few applications for the Academic Relations Group and will be doing another call for applications going into the fall. Of those I have received I will be notifying the applicants of their application status over the next few weeks and we will hold a meeting to officially kick off the group for the 2017/18 academic year.

As you will remember from prior reports, the Academic Relations Group (ARG) is a group selected by the VP Academic that acts as both an advisory group and as delegates who represent the VPA on a variety of committees and boards as requested. ARG differentiates from the function of nominating committee as ARG members represent the VP Academic, whereas designates selected through nominating committee act as representatives of the Students' Union. Likewise, when there is a call for Student Council representatives, Council does the selection from council members.



### Student Representative Groups

The Council of Faculty Associations (COFA) boards will begin meeting over the end of the month and into September. Most of the COFA boards requested a more professional development centered meeting model, something which will look different at each board. COFA Senior Board – which is comprised of primarily FA presidents – will be holding a strategic planning meeting before receiving leadership training at their *second* meeting at the beginning of October. COFA Advocacy Board will be partaking in a session on advocacy strategies and governance training at their meeting. COFA Finance and Admin Board will have a session centered on accounting strategies and things to keep in mind for the new academic year.

Student members of General Faculties Council will once again be invited to attend the GFC Student Caucus. This is a meeting of student representatives on GFC to contextualize and better understand GFC issues and agenda items as they pertain to students. Of course, this meeting is optional but I strongly encourage as many members of GFC to come as possible. As it stands these meetings will take place Thursdays before each GFC meeting.

I have had the pleasure to meeting with representatives from both the Drama Student Association, the Alberta Anthropology Undergraduates Association and the VP Departmental Relations of OASIS. There are many great plans to strengthen, revitalize and support department associations in the Faculty of Arts this year that truly sound exciting and are a great step in student advocacy on campus. I also had a meeting with a member of the AUFJSJ executive discussing some major priorities affecting Faculty St.Jean for the year including renovations to classroom space, Student Union involvement at Fac, and how we can jointly celebrate francophonie culture on campus. I look forward to working with representatives at the department, faculty and university levels throughout the year.

### CTL New Instructor Orientation

Vice President Ushakov and myself had the pleasure of attending the Centre for Teaching and Learning's New Professor orientation. This was a full day workshop bringing together a number of new professors from across campus to situate them in the university community. I was honored to partake in a panel of students, sharing our thought on what instructors are able to do in their classrooms to improve students learning experiences. It was nice to see so many new professors open to what students had to say and who were genuinely interested in bettering the experience that students will be having in their classrooms.

### Research Projects

Another small update is around the Diversity in Student Governance Report. This will be finalized and released during GovWeek 2017, so stay tuned for the full report. Further, we are making good process in gaining important insights from the past Student Experience Survey, which will go on to influence our businesses and shape some of advocacy to the university.

STRIDE

Since our last council meeting, the summer cohort of STRIDE has had two more meetings. The first centered on public speaking and navigating the gendered aspects of criticism, and the latter focused on campaigning. After each session we have collected feedback from participants which has been used to continuously improve the program and will be used to inform the structure and content of the fall cohort as well. Applications will be going up soon, with the first cohort meeting in September.

My office hours are normally scheduled for Thursdays 3:30-4:30, but stay tuned as I will be posting new fall office hours and the exec and I will be setting office hours at CSJ and Augustana.

All my best,

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Shane Scott

Vice President Academic



August 17<sup>th</sup> 2017

**To:** Students' Council

**Re:** Report to Students' Council

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Hello Council,

Summer is coming to an end, and that's sad/exiting. Sad because summer is amazing on campus and summer is just great, but exciting because that means the school year is about to start! Things have been good with my projects. Personally, I'll be moving into a new apartment soon, and I'm feeling old because I went to my first high school reunion. Other than that, stuffs great. I'll provide an overview of some key meetings and projects in this report.

#### *Golden Bears & Pandas Legacy Fund*

Two weeks ago, on August 2<sup>nd</sup>, VP Ushakov, Councilor Thibaudeau and I spent an afternoon with representatives from Athletics, Varsity and the University of Athletics Board to discuss the disbursement of the Golden Bears & Pandas Legacy fund for this year. This fund goes towards various elements of varsity sports to support their success. The amount of money they receive is dependent on the reasonableness of their application, recommendations from Athletics, and the teams volunteer participation. We worked through all applications, and now the find disbursement will go through Finance Committee for verification.

#### *GALD Summer Cohort Presentation*

On July 28<sup>th</sup>, VP Scott and I made a presentation about the Students' Union to the summer cohort of the Global Academic Leadership Development (GALD) program. This program is ran by UAlberta International, and invites leadership from foreign universities, mainly Chinese universities, to share experiences and styles of running institutions. This is the second time I have presented to this program, and it is always a highlight. The discussions are always interesting and productive.

#### *Room at the Top Facelift*

One of my ongoing projects over the summer has been coordinating a facelift of Room at the Top. Well, it's finally coming together! We commissioned a student mural, and the artists are hard at work as I type this! The space has new furniture, the space will be painted soon, and new lighting is expected in the first few weeks of September. Please go check it out!

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*Alberta Party Mixer*

On Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup>, I attended an Alberta Party mixer/info night on behalf of UASU. VP Larsen and President Banister were down south attending a UCP mixer, so we split up to hit each! I met many staff members, talked with Greg Clark about PSE, and discussed UASU and CAUS priorities with many prominent community members. Overall, it was a good event and I am happy to have attended.

*Student Union Development Summit 2017*

This coming weekend, the executive team is attending the 2017 Student Union Development Summit (SUDS). Here, we will have the chance to meet other executives from across the country to learn, share, and attend productive sessions on numerous issues facing Student Unions. I will be hosting a session this year. The topic is a workshop on Student Union businesses, trends, and talking about how SUs can make money while staying true to their mission of serving students. I am excited to present, and happy I'm able to lend my experience to others!

*Myer Horowitz Theatre Renovation Project*

As with previous reports, we have still for the most part hit pause on this project. We are gearing up for the fall where we will conduct extensive student consultation. Keep your eye out for it!

Cheers,

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Robyn Paches

**Date:** August 10, 2017  
**To:** Students' Council, c/o Saadiq Sumar, Speaker  
**From:** Brandon Christensen, Chair  
**Subject:** BC-Report #1

Dear Students' Council:

The following written report has been submitted in compliance with Bylaw 100, Section 16.

### **1) Activities of the Committee**

Bylaw Committee has had a relatively quiet summer compared to 2015 and 2016. That said, the committee has, to date, met all requirements under Bylaw 100.

#### **A) Bill #1 - Elections Forums (Complete)**

This bill addressed the concerns of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board during the 2017 election cycle regarding forum interference and heckling (See DIE Ruling 2016-01). Bill #1 addressed these concerns and also updated the regulations surrounding the requirement of forums across the Executive and Students' Council elections.

#### **B) Students' Council Standing Orders (Complete)**

Bylaw Committee played an instrumental role in updating Students' Council standing orders, including multiple changes and recommendations to ensure Students' Council runs efficiently and fairly.

#### **C) Bill #2 - Joke Candidates (In progress)**

This bill addresses a perceived error in bylaw surrounding what would happen if a joke candidate were to 'win.' The bill also addresses how joke candidates are defined in bylaw and the process for a joke candidate to become a real candidate.

#### **D) Bill #3 - Universal Materials (In progress)**

This bill addresses an ongoing point of confusion for Students' Union elections, Universal Materials. The goal of this bill is to simplify the elections processes and ensure there are explicit provisions regarding said materials.

#### **E) General Bylaw Review (In progress)**

The committee is currently undergoing its annual review of all 19 Students' Union bylaws. The committee goes through each bylaw looking for possible editorial changes (punctuation, syntax, grammar errors, or other changes that do not affect the substantive meeting of the Bylaw).

#### **F) Fall semester (To be started)**

In the fall semester, the committee's business will include drafting referendum questions for Dedicated Fee Unit (DFU) and Student Representative Association Membership Fees (SRAMF) due for renewal in the coming year. In addition, once the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation ad hoc Committee completes the recommended framework, Bylaw Committee will begin any process necessary for appropriate implementation.

## G) Students' Council Referendum Questions (To be started)

Should Studnets' Council initiate a referenda or plebescite, Bylaw Committee will be prepared to draft the final question

## 2) Decisions of Bylaw Committee

An outline of the formal motions carried by the committee are outlined below.

Motion	Vote
<p><b>CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE</b> to approve the first reading of Bill #1 - Elections Forums, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles:</p> <p><b>First Principles</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Formal regulation of elections forums under Bylaw 2200 is limited to only the Myer Horowitz Forum. There is no regulation of forums under Bylaw 2300.</li> <li>2. In light of DIE Board ruling 2016-01, additional and clarifying regulations are required, in order for the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) most effectively perform their job.</li> <li>3. Bylaw 2200 shall be amended to broaden the rules of forums to extend to all forums organized by the elections office, not just the Myer Horowitz Forum.</li> <li>4. Bylaw 2300 shall be amended to include rules regarding the conduct of forums under that Bylaw, if applicable.</li> <li>5. The new regulations shall include, but not be limited to, the following, in addition to those already listed in Bylaw: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. No candidate or side, or a</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	6/0/0 - CARRIED

<p>volunteer representing their campaign, shall interfere, attempt to stop, limit, or otherwise dissuade a member from asking a question during an elections office organized forum.</p> <p>b. The CRO shall prioritize audience questions from members who have not already submitted a question orally or electronically.</p> <p>c. The CRO shall be permitted to set a time limit restricting the length of individual questions and answers during forums, at their discretion, so long as these details are provided to the candidates and sides in advance and verbalized at the start of the forum.</p> <p>6. The legislative structure for Bylaw 2300 will follow the same framework as Bylaw 2200, except not mandating the CRO host a forum.</p>	
<p><b>CHRISTENSEN/PIASECKI</b> move to recommend the amended Council standing orders to the Council Administration Committee. (See standing order document on Google Drive.)</p>	<p>6/0/0 CARRIED</p>
<p><b>CHRISTENSEN/JONES</b> move item 2a to the next meeting.</p>	<p>6/0/0 CARRIED</p>
<p><b>CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE</b> to approve the second reading of Bill #1 - Elections Forums, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles (See Google Drive for second reading changes).</p>	<p>6/0/0 CARRIED</p>
<p><b>CHRISTENSEN/FARRIS MOVE</b> to approve the first reading of Bill #2 - Joke Candidates, on</p>	<p>6/0/0 CARRIED</p>

the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.	
<b>CHRISTENSEN/BROPHY MOVE</b> to approve the first reading of Bill #2 - Joke Candidates, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.	7/0/0 CARRIED
<b>CHRISTENSEN/JONES MOVE</b> to approve the first reading of Bill #3, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.	7/0/0 CARRIED
<b>CHRISTENSEN/BROPHY MOVE</b> to approve the second reading of Bill #2 - Joke Candidates, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.	6/0/0 CARRIED
<b>CHRISTENSEN/JONES MOVE</b> to approve the second reading of Bill #3, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.	6/0/0 CARRIED

### 3) Fall Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Tuesday, November 28, 2017

Thank you for your care and attention. Please feel free to make any inquiries you deem appropriate. A response will be provided within twenty-four (24) hours.

All the best,

*Brandon Christensen*

Brandon Christensen

Chair, Bylaw Committee

University of Alberta Students' Union

(Submitted electronically)

**Date:** August 17, 2017

**To:** Students' Council, c/o Saadiq Sumar, Speaker

**From:** Delane Howie, Chair

**Subject:** Policy Committee

Dear Students' Council:

In accordance with Bylaw 100, Section 16 the following written report has been submitted, on-time, to the University of Alberta Students' Union, Students' Council. This report has been completed to permit decisions of Policy Committee to be approved as outlined in Bylaw 100, Section 16(3).

## 1) Activities of Committee

Policy Committee has focused mainly on the process of renewing the Political Policies that are up for expiration in April 2018. We have developed a process tracker document and timeline to ensure that these renewals will be completed by the end of our term. Below is a complete list of the political policies currently up for renewal and their renewal status.

- Student Financial Assistance Policy
  - First principles are currently with council, awaiting ruling.
- Deferred Maintenance Policy
  - First principles are currently with council, awaiting ruling.
- Academic Materials Policy:
  - Currently consulting campus stakeholders, expected completion is September 2017.
- Assessment and Grading Policy:
  - Currently consulting campus stakeholders, expected completion is September 2017.
- Residence Policy
  - Currently consulting campus stakeholders, expected completion is October 2017.
- CSJ Linguistic Accessibility Policy
  - Consultation will start in October 2017, expected completion is December 2017.
- Food Policy
  - Consultation will start in October 2017, expected completion is December 2017.
- Health and Wellness Policy
  - Consultation will start in November 2017, expected completion is January 2018.
- Internationalization Policy
  - Currently consulting campus stakeholders.

Beyond these policy renewals, we have also discussed potential new political policies on Accessibility and on Engagement. These discussions will continue into the fall semester.

## 2) Decisions of Policy Committee

Motion	Vote
LARSEN/PIASECKI moved to approve the Renewal the Student Finance Assistance Policy as amended.	7/0/0, CARRIED
SCOTT/BROPHY move to present facts of Deferred Maintenance Policy Renewal to council.	7/0/0, CARRIED
SCOTT/SUNDAY move to table the Agenda Item 3a to the next meeting.	7/0/0, CARRIED
SCOTT/BROPHY moved to approve the renewal of the Student Financial Assistance Policy based on the following first principles (available in the Policy Committee Working Google Drive folder)	6/0/0, CARRIED

\* Important note: The first motion (from LARSEN/PIASECKI) was brought to council and then ruled out of order due to the fact that it changes the spirit of the policy and thus requires to be passed in two readings. It was brought back to committee, and the first principles were eventually passed (motion from SCOTT/BROPHY).

## 3) Fall Meeting Schedule

- Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 5:00PM
- Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 5:00PM
- Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 5:00PM
- Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 5:00PM

Thank you for reading this report. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about anything presented here.

Cheers,

Delane Howie  
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(Submitted electronically)

Item		Result	Meeting	Date
<b>2017-01/1d</b>	BANISTER/HASSAN move to approve Students' Council Standing Orders.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8a</b>	BANISTER/SANDARE moves to appoint Mark Oldershaw, Victoria DeJong and	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8b</b>	PACHES/LARSEN moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to The	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8c</b>	PACHES/FLAMAN moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to Stu	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8d</b>	PACHES/THIBAUDEAU moves to appoint one member of Students' Council t	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8e</b>	PACHES/SUNDAY moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to Alb	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8f</b>	PACHES/FLAMAN moves to appoint two member of Students' Council to the	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8g</b>	PACHES/FARRIS moves to appoint two members of Students' Council to the	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8h</b>	PACHES/THIBAUDEAU moves to appoint four members of Students' Council	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8i</b>	PACHES/BROPHY moves to grant Councillor Flaman an exception to SU Ope	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-01/8j</b>	PACHES moves to grant Councillor Howie an exception to SU Operating Polic	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
<b>2017-03/7b</b>	CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE to approve the first reading of Bill #1 - Electio	CARRIED	SC 2017-03	05/30/2017
<b>2017-03/8a</b>	SUNDAY/SCOTT MOVE to appoint SUNDAY to the Council on Aboriginal Initi	CARRIED	SC 2017-03	05/30/2017
<b>2017-03/7b</b>	PACHES/THIBAUDEAU MOVE to appoint MAHAL to the WUSC Student Refuge	CARRIED	SC 2017-03	05/30/2017
<b>2017-04/2a</b>	BANISTER SPONSOR a presentation from the Students' Union executive tear	CARRIED	SC 2017-04	06/13/2017
<b>2017-04/7a</b>	CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE to approve the second reading of Bill #1 - Elec	CARRIED	SC 2017-04	06/13/2017
<b>2017/05-2a</b>	PACHES/FLAMAN SPONSOR the presentation: Students' Union Building & M	CARRIED	SC 2017-05	06/27/2017
<b>2017/05-7a</b>	CHRISTENSEN/FARRIS MOVE to approve the first reading of Bill #2 - Joke C	CARRIED	SC 2017-05	06/27/2017
	BANISTER/FLAMAN MOVE to AMEND Point 1 as follows:			
<b>2017/05-7a</b>	A joke candidate is defined as any candidate(s) who self-identifies as a joke c	N/A	SC 2017-05	06/27/2017
<b>2017/05/7b</b>	FLAMAN/HOWIE MOVE to refer the item back to the Bylaw Committee.	CARRIED	SC 2017-05	06/27/2017

Mtg Code	Date	Result	Motion	Notes	
09	2017-06-22	4/0/0	BANISTER/SCOTT MOVED TO approve the attendance of the Executive Committee to the 2017 Student Union Development Summit as presented.	PACHES away	
09	2017-06-22	4/0/0	LARSEN/USHAKOV MOVED TO allocate no more than \$1,750 from the project allocation for the Executive Committee's attendance to the 2017 Student Union Development Summit.	PACHES away	PA
12	2017-07-06	5/0/0	PACHES/LARSEN moves to approve a project allocation not to exceed \$3000.00 for the Room at the Top mural as presented.		

Councillor Attendance Records 2017-2018							
Council Seats (40 total)	Name	17-06 July 25	17-05 June 27	17-04 June 13	17-03 May 30	17-02 May 9	17-01 April 25
Ex-officio Members (6 voting seats)							
President	Marina Banister	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Academic	Shane Scott	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP External	Reed Larsen	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Operations & Finance	Robyn Paches	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Student Life	Ilya Ushakov	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Undergraduate Board of Governors Rep	Mike Sandare	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Faculty Representation (32 voting seats)							
ALES	Haley Lefferson	Y	0.5	N	Y (0.5)	Y	Y
ALES	Jo Ann Chew	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Navneet Gidda	Y	N	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Srosh Hassan	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Alannah Piasecki	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Mitch Wilson	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y (0.5)
Arts	Meijun Chen	N				N	Y
Arts	Monica Lillo	Y	Y	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Tina Liu	N	Y	Y	Y (0.5)		
Augustana (Faculty)	VACANT						
Business	Will Swain	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Business	Connor Palindat	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y (0.5)
Education	Emily Howell	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Education	Kara Farris	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Education	James Thibaudeau	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Engineering	Katelynn Nguyen					Y	Y (0.5)
Engineering	Eddie Wang	N	N	N	N		
Engineering	Mahmoud Kenawi	Y	0.5	N	Y	Y	N
Engineering	Nick Sorensen	Y	Y	Y	Y (0.5)	Y	Y
Engineering	Daanish Hamid	N	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
Law	Alexander (Sandy) Brophy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Medicine & Dentistry	Brandon Christensen	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Native Studies	Nathan Sunday	Y	Y	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y
Nursing	Abigail Bridarolli	N	Y	Y (P)	Y (0.5)	Y	Y (0.5)
Open Studies	Levi Flaman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pharmacy	Alex Kwan	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y
Phys Ed & Rec	VACANT						
Saint-Jean (Faculty)	Delane Howie	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Science	Genna DiPinto	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
Science	Habba Mahal	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Science	Hyejun Kim	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	N
Science	Nicole Jones	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Science	Rachel Wang	N	0.5	0.5	Y	0.5	N
Science	Darren Choi	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y
Ex-Officio Members (2 non-voting seats)							
Speaker	Saadiq Sumar	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
General Manager	Marc Dumouchel	N	0.5	N	N	N	N
Guests				Jessie Benoit - CSJ Nathan Fung - Arts			