

**Tuesday, February 6, 2018
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 2017-18)

2017-18/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, February 13 at 6:00pm in Council Chambers.

2017-18/2 PRESENTATIONS

2017-18/2a *Presentation Title:* Lister Centre Meal Plan Proposal

Abstract: Lister Hall Student Association along with the Students' Union will be providing an update on meal plan advocacy and student consultation done in the process.

Presenter(s):

- Ilya Ushakov, Vice-President Student Life
- Matt Simpson, President of the Lister Hall Student Association

USHAKOV SPONSORS the Lister Centre Meal Plan Proposal at the February 6, 2018 meeting of Students' Council.

2017-18/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2017-18/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

2017-18/5 OPEN FORUM

2017-18/6 QUESTION PERIOD

2017-18/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2017-18/7a USHAKOV/HOWIE MOVE, upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, to approve the renewal of the Health and Wellness Policy based on the following [attached] first principles.

See SC 2017-18.10

2017-18/7b CHOI/SCOTT MOVE, upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, to approve the renewal of the Academic Materials Policy based on the following [attached] first principles.

See SC 2017-18.11

2017-18/7c OASIS FAMF Referendum Question

CHRISTENSEN MOVES to approve the Organization for Arts Students' and Interdisciplinary Studies (OASIS) FAMF referendum question, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, as listed below.

The Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies (OASIS) is the undergraduate student faculty association for the Faculty of Arts. This proposed Faculty Association Membership Fee (FAMF) will be \$2.50 per semester. This will primarily allow for increased granting capabilities for arts students.

The conditions of the fee shall include:

1. It shall be distributed according to the framework approved by the University of Alberta Students' Union Students' Council and is subject to the oversight of the Audit Committee.
2. The same fee will be applied to full-time and part-time students.
3. The fee shall not be charged in the Spring/Summer semester.
4. Students may opt-out of this fee by contacting OASIS before the add/drop deadline of each semester.
5. The fee will have a two (2) year lifetime with an expiry of September 1, 2020.

Do you support the introduction of a \$2.50 per student, per semester Faculty Association Membership Fee for the Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies effective September 1, 2018?

2017-18/7d ESA FAMF Referendum Question

CHRISTENSEN MOVES to approve the Education Students' Association FAMF Referendum Question, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, as listed below.

The Education Students' Association (ESA) is the student Faculty Association for the Faculty of Education, as well as Student Local No.1 of the Alberta Teachers'

Association (ATA). As an undergraduate education student, you are not currently charged a Faculty Association Membership Fee (FAMF). Optional membership to the ESA currently costs \$10.00. \$9.00 of this fee goes to the ESA and \$1.00 goes to the ATA as student membership dues.

The proposed FAMF will reduce the membership fee to \$8.00. \$7.00 of this fee will go to the ESA and \$1.00 will go to the ATA as student membership dues. The fee will provide the ESA with more funding for student services and events.

The conditions of the fee shall include:

1. It shall be distributed according to the framework approved by the University of Alberta Students' Union Students' Council and is subject to the oversight of the Audit Committee.
2. This fee will be applied to all undergraduate Education students, except those enrolled in off-campus collaborative programs.
3. The same fee will be applied to full-time and part-time students.
4. The fee shall only be charged in the Fall semester.
5. Students joining the Faculty of Education after the fee is collected in the Fall term may request a membership by contacting the ESA.
6. Students may opt-out of this fee by contacting the ESA before October 31st of the year it is charged.
7. The fee will have a three (3) year lifetime with an expiry of September 2021.

Do you support a Faculty Association Membership Fee for the Education Students' Association of \$8.00 per student, per year effective September 1, 2018?

2017-18/8 GENERAL ORDERS

2017-18/8a Bill #8 - Students' Council Attendance Regulation Amendment - *First Reading*

FLAMAN MOVES to approve the first reading of Bill #8 Attendance Regulation Amendment, based on the following first principles:

First Principles:

1. The current form of the Students' Council attendance regulations have helped improve attendance and engagement to date.
2. The regulations were initially created conservatively to help members adjust to the transition.
3. The regulations shall be tightened to continue to improve attendance and engagement.

4. The regulations shall be amended to apply to “regularly scheduled” meetings only, where regularly scheduled is defined meetings approved in the introductory meeting of Students’ Council.
5. Bylaw 100 shall be amended to adjust the definition of attendance from “Attendance is defined as attending for at least one (1) roll call of attendance” to
 - a. “Perfect Attendance” being defined as attending for 100% of roll calls in a trimester either in person, by proxy or by teleconferencing,
 - b. “Satisfactory Attendance” being defined as attending between 50% and 99% of roll calls in a trimester either in person, by proxy or by teleconferencing,
 - c. “Unsatisfactory Attendance” being defined as attending less than 50% of roll calls in a trimester either in person, by proxy or by teleconferencing.
6. The criteria for councillor removal from Students’ Council shall remain the constant, being that councillors with “Unsatisfactory Attendance” at the end of the Spring/Summer and Fall trimesters be declared in contravention of Bylaw 100 and automatically removed as a member of Students’ Council.
7. These changes shall be implemented May 1, 2018.

2017-18/9 INFORMATION ITEMS

2017-18/9a Report from Vice President (Student Life)

See SC 2017-18.01

2017-18/9b Report from the President

See SC 2017-18.02

2017-18/9d Report from Vice President (Operations and Finance)

See SC 2017-18.03

2017-18/9e Report from Vice President (External)

See SC 2017-18.04

2017-18/9f Executive Committee Motion Tracking

See SC 2017-18.05

2017-18/9g Student Council Motion Tracking Sheet

See SC 2017-18.06

2017-18/9g Students' Council Attendance

See SC 2017-18.07

2017-18/9h *Votes and Proceedings*, SC-2017-17-OP-20170123 - Tuesday, January 23, 2018

See SC 2017-18.08

2017-18/9i *Academic Materials* Policy - First Reading

See SC 2017-18.09

2017-18/9j *Health and Wellness* Policy - First Reading

SC 2017-18.10

February 2nd, 2018

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

Hello council,

I hope your January went smoothly and that the next few weeks prior to reading week go even better. I wish you all luck on your upcoming midterms and papers. January has been an extremely busy month for me; here are some items I wanted to update you all on:

Mental Health Committee

We have had our first meeting with all of the members, and have begun to work on values and core principles. Our next meeting will be focused on department evaluations and we will likely do a student survey sometime in March or April so keep an eye out.

UASU Cares

I have heard a lot of feedback and have worked to implement it all in the past few weeks. --

-We have changed the image with the SUTV and Banners to something different as the reaching hand received some negative feedback.

-I worked with IT and we finally figured out the Google issue, turns out there was a meta tag that prevented the site from being searched, it is removed now and I am happy to say you can find UASU Cares from a Google search.

-We have added a UASU Cares button to the website as well, there is now a link on the website that is easily accessible.

-You've asked for usage data. The website has not got a lot of tractions averaging 10-15 hits a day, however this is simply from people typing in the website. The website is more accessible and I will keep you updated on the usage data.

Campus Activities Board: Valentines Day

The Campus Activities Board will be doing a Valentine's Day event, the details are being finalized and I will update the specifics in my oral report during council.

Week of Welcome Recruitment

Week of Welcome is the largest volunteer program at the U of A and we're now accepting applications for volunteers for WOW 2018! There are 4 roles available: Faculty Leaders, who lead tours, facilitate activities, and help make WOW events successful; Orientation Presentation Facilitators, who do the UAlberta 101 presentation at New Student

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Orientation; Program Support, who run registration and work behind the scenes to make WOW possible; and Media Techs, who capture all the good times and make awesome videos! If you are interested in volunteering, or want to share this awesome opportunity with people in your faculty, please visit www.uasu.ca/wow !

Student Group Processes

We are continuing to work on policies and procedures for Students' Union student groups. They are nearing completion; so we will be sending them for a round of consultation later in February then take them through council to get all of your feedback. I am eager to see all the changes implemented I believe this policy suite is extremely student friendly and if students pass the SEI referendum it will be a great supplement to increase student group activities in the years to come.

Athletics

We are continuing to work with Athletics on a sponsorship contract, the Students' Union used to have these back in 2014 and earlier, basically a contract full of collaboration efforts between Athletics and the Students' Union. Our staff and myself plan to have this solidified by the end of my term.

Council of Residence Associations

The residence reports have been coming along. Unfortunately we had to derecognize East Campus Student Association due to the lack of activity and representation from the executive, but I have been at the forefront in all advocacy meetings and we have had partnerships in programming with HUB and UASU Events. We recently put out a survey on advocacy issues to help us compile a thorough report and are putting together a group of students to take a look at the constitution and help run elections for the following term. One of the focus areas of the new ECSA will be advocacy for Greek Houses located on university property, as deferred maintenance has been a critical issue within those houses.

Thanks for reading and see you all at council!



Ilya Ushakov

January 23, 2017

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

University Business

Summit

Many of the VPs and I attended the University of Alberta joint Senate/GFC/Board of Governors summit. It was on the topic of freedom of speech and the Students' Union was used in the main hypothetical case study. I am supportive of these three bodies getting together to discuss major issues, and thought it was an effective use of time.

External Business

CAUS Counterparts

The VP's and I travelled to Calgary to go to the CAUS/Counterparts conference. It was the last counterparts conference of the year and we spent the majority of time discussing major issues on our campus. VP Larsen can provide more detail on what was discussed for CAUS at the conference.

Other Exciting Endeavors

Internal Business

My election workshops have been going really well! I had five last week on a variety of topics and I will be having three more in the coming week. My goal is to help make elections as accessible as possible and increase student confidence moving into the campaign period. If you would like to sign up for my workshop it is available on the UASU President Marina Banister Facebook page.

Closing Remarks

My Winter semester office hours will be Tuesdays from 12:00PM-1:00PM in SUB 2-900! Feel free to drop by if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything.

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

Marina Banister

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February 1st, 2018

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

Hey Council,

Hope all is well! It has been a busy couple weeks with lots of meetings. Most of my meetings were conversations and consultations on the Student Events Initiative, which have been going well! We are getting lots of constructive feedback. Other than that, I'll report on some other important meetings.

Food Court RFP

On January 24th we had an information session for potential bidders. The session was well attended and we got a lot of productive questions. The RFP is due on February 20th and we're looking forward to the diverse offerings of possible vendors.

Golden Bears & Pandas Legacy Fund

VP Ushakov and I attended the disbursement meeting for the 2017/18 Dedicated Fee Unit. The committee included the two of us, two councilors, and three members of the University Athletics Board. We adjudicated all of the applications and gave out about \$240,000 in funding to U of A Athletics. We were pleased with the applications. Varsity sports are becoming more and more involved in the University community, which is a positive for all.

United Way Campaign

On January 31st the U of A United Way Campaign was wrapped up. The campaign raised just under \$700,000, which is a huge increase from \$450,000 last year! We saw excellent student participation. Alberta JDC West, from the School of Business, raised over \$15,000, Agriculture students raised approx. \$2000 from selling Christmas trees and Daily Grind raised \$1150 from coffee sales. Each got an award. Next year, I hope to see even more participation from the student body!

CAUS Counterparts Conference

On January 29th and 30th the executive team travelled to Calgary for our semesterly counterparts conference with CAUS. Once a semester, each full executive team from the CAUS schools gets together to update each other, share best practices and discuss large issues we are all facing. This meeting was the last of the year, and was very productive. The OpsFis talked about our budgeting process and turnover.

Justin Trudeau Town Hall

On the evening of February 1st, President Banister, VP Scott and I attended the town hall the PM Trudeau hosted at MacEwan University. It was an informative and educational

event. Members of the audience asked great questions and it was an interesting experience to see the PM and listen to him so close up!

Choice Memes

MEME TIME! Threw a couple tag yourself memes in this week. Feel free to message me with your tags cause why not.



Fred

- hates everyone
- wants to scream
- irritated by everythING
- just wants some peace and quiet
- addicted to coffee



Mouse

- is afraid of everything
- has -0 self confidence
- hides when the doorbell rings
- lives off of the same two foods



Jean

- thinks he's cool
- wants to start a band
- pretends it's still the 80's
- shows up late to everything
- never got the memo



Larry

- wonders what the point is
- always sighing
- wants to sleep forever
- no motivation



Carl

- Literally never stops eating
- always stressed
- trying to pretend everything is ok
- super awkward

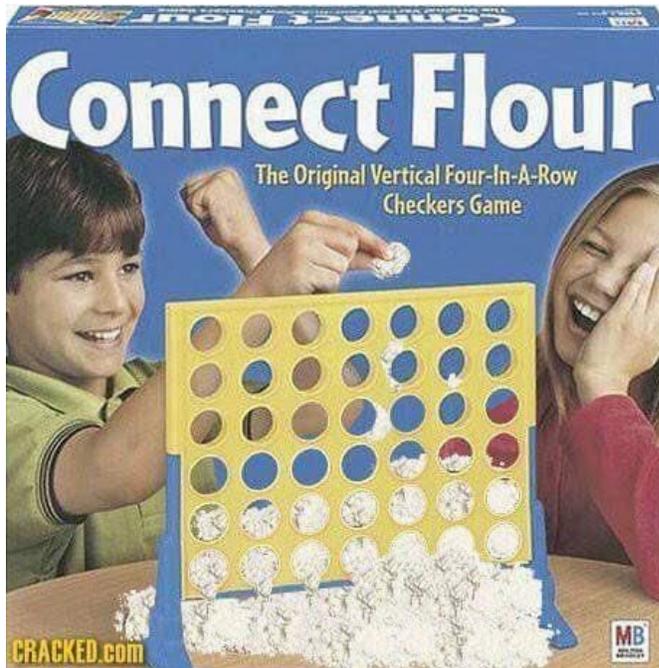


Bean

- a cinnamon roll
- really likes chocolate
- loves to talk
- has a cute laugh
- always helping people

Which one of these Czech Railways Topoftheline diesel engine units describes your feelings today?





Delivered

I'm driving with Do Not Disturb While Driving turned on. I'll see your message when I get where I'm going.

(I'm not receiving notifications. If this is urgent, reply "urgent" to send a notification through with your original message.)

Delivered

urgent

Cheers,



Robyn Paches

Date: Feb. 1, 2018
To: Students' Council
Re: Report to Students' Council

Hi Council!

February! What the Heck! Time is freaking flying. I am thrilled to say I am feeling pretty solid and excited to rock out the remainder of the term. I also got to go to The Luke M. Jansen Poli Sci Bonspiel this weekend and want to congratulate the PSUA on such an amazing event.

Cannabis

I sat down with the Medical Students Association to discuss their provincial and federal advocacy for ensuring safety and health in cannabis consumption. In the future, it likely will be a legitimate conversation about how it will affect campus culture, academics, and safety. Hoping to do some more research over February and see what wiggle room we can find for external advocacy (maybe mental health funding?).

BOG/GFC/SENATE

The joint summit occurred on Friday the 26th , and it was a resounding success. I was a member of the planning committee and was amazing to watch the learning moments occur. The event was facilitated to jumpstart discussions on how the University of Alberta deals with the topic of freedom of speech and its commitment to freedom of expression on campus.

CAUS Counterparts Conference



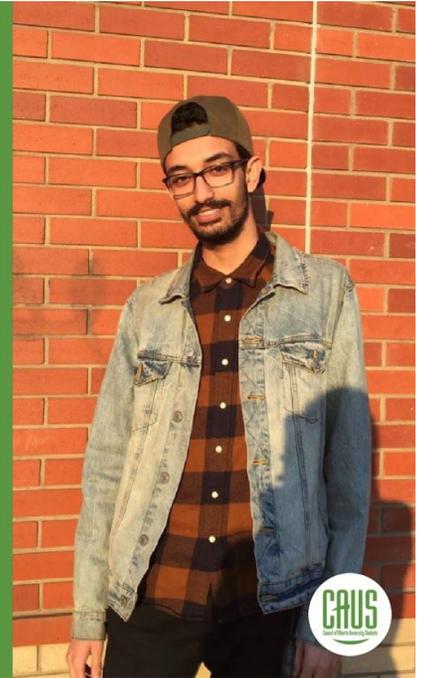
CAUS held its final Counterparts Conference of the year! In the CAUS in-person meeting we discussed some policy direction for engagement with opposition parties in Alberta, cannabis on campus, tuition review, and the international student's paper release. Counterparts went over some topics, and I would look to the other VP's to outline their experience.

There will be a CAUS campaign rolling out next week to build some public pressure to have the results of the tuition review released. Membership, including the UASU and myself as Chair, have had their patience run thin on this file and want to see the results of nearing three years of work.

International Students Paper

“I, myself, worked two jobs with a total of forty hours a week on top of being a full-time student, president of two student groups and VP international of my faculty association... Aside from this financial disadvantage, many international students rely solely on food banks around the city.”

Akrem Hamami, 4th year International Student at the University of Alberta



Akrem Hamami - CAUS Release

CAUS has released its International Students Paper and there has been a social media roll-out over the last 3 days. I have done a number of media interviews on behalf of CAUS and am excited to see the results of the campaign. This paper and some media attention will be rolled into the launch of a larger campaign next week, which will call upon the Government of Alberta to release its tuition review.

To Note:

- [Edmonton Journal article on International Student Tuition](#)
- Interview for Gateway Report Cards on Wednesday
- Teleconference with the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance to discuss Open Educational Resources joint paper
- Alberta Party Leadership debate was in Lister. Did not attend but commented extensively online. 🧑

Cheers,
Reed Larsen

Mtg Code	Date	Result	Motion	Council Agenda Reported In	Notes	
04	2017-05-18	5/0/0	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVED TO support the creation of the Campus Activities Board.			
04	2017-05-18	5/0/0	PACHES/USHAKOV MOVED TO request \$475.00 in Per Diem and Travel costs for the VP Operations & Finance and the VP Student Life to attend the StudentCare Stakeholder Meeting as UASU delegates.			
06	2017-06-08	4/0/0	PACHES/SCOTT moves to release all remaining Students' Union held Lister Hall Students' Association funds to the 2017/18 Lister Hall Students' Association.		BANISTER away	
07	2017-06-12	4/0/0	BANISTER/SCOTT MOVED TO approve a project allocation not to exceed \$3000.00 for the STRIDE spring/summer cohort as presented.		LARSEN away	PA
07	2017-06-12	4/0/0	USHAKOV/BANISTER MOVED TO approve the letter of support to Strathcona Elections.		LARSEN away	
07	2017-06-12	4/0/0	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVED TO budget no more than \$1800 to send the Executive and the DRPA to the Council of Alberta University Students Counterparts Conference.		LARSEN away	
07	2017-06-12	4/0/0	SCOTT/USHAKOV MOVED TO budget no more than \$450 to send the President, VP External and the DRPA to the Council of Alberta University Students June In-person Meeting in Calgary.		LARSEN away	
08	2017-06-15	5/0/0	USHAKOV/SCOTT MOVED TO request \$75.00 in Per Diem costs for the VP External, President and the VP Student Life to attend the Wellness Summit as UASU delegates.			
08	2017-06-15	5/0/0	BANISTER/LARSEN MOVED TO budget no more than \$2250 to send the President, the VP External, and the DRPA to the Canadian Alliance of Student Association Policy and Strategy Conference.			
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.	2017-07	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.	2017-07	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.	2017-07		
14	2017-07-20	5/0/0	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVED TO approve the job description of the Chair of the Campus Activities Board as presented.	2017-10		
14	2017-07-20	5/0/0	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVED TO approve the attached version of the Campus Activities Board Terms of Reference.	2017-10		
15	2017-07-31	5/0/0	PACHES/SCOTT MOVED TO approve the job description of the Social Media Coordinator as presented.	2017-10		
18	2017-08-29	4/0/0	BANISTER/USHAKOV MOVED TO approve the Senior Operations Manager – Retail and Assistant Operations Manager – Retail Job Descriptions.	2017-10	PACHES away	
18	2017-08-29	4/0/0	BANISTER/SCOTT MOVED TO approve the Capital Campaign Coordinator Job Description.	2017-10	PACHES away	
20	2017-09-13	5/0/0	SCOTT/USHAKOV MOVED TO approve the STRIDE Coordinator Job Description as presented.	2017-10		
21	2017-09-18	5/0/0	LARSEN/SCOTT MOVED TO request no more than \$2500 for Election Year: Meet Your City Council Candidates event and GovWeek support items from the Project Allocation (PA) fund	2017-10		PA
22	2017-09-21	5/0/0	PACHES/USHAKOV MOVED TO approve a project allocation not to exceed \$200.00 for Room at the Top mural supply costs as presented.	2017-10		PA
24	2017-09-27	5/0/0	SHANE/REED MOVED TO approve a project allocation not to exceed \$4200.00 for the STRIDE fall/winter cohort as presented.			PA
25	2017-10-02	5/0/0	PACHES/SCOTT MOVED TO approve a project allocation not to exceed \$1500.00 for the municipal advanced polling marketing as presented.			PA
26	2017-10-11	5/0/0	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVED TO approve a project allocation not to exceed \$1050.00 for the UASU Cares Marketing Campaign as presented.			
26	2017-10-11	5/0/0	USHAKOV/LARSEN MOVED TO budget no more than \$210 to send the President, VP External and the DRPA to the Council of Alberta University Students In person meeting.			

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29	2017-10-25	4/0/0	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVED TO send the General Manager to the AMICCUS-C Western Regional Conference, November 7-9, 2017.		LARSEN away	
32	2017-11-08	5/0/0	LARSEN/USHAKOV moves to budget no more than \$5545 to send the President, the VP External, and the DRPA to the Canadian Alliance of Student Association Advocacy Week.			
33	2017-11-15	5/0/0	USHAKOV/LARSEN MOVES TO authorize Craig Turner to open a new business banking account with Scotiabank on behalf of the Students' Union, for the purpose of facilitating bulk electronic funds transfers.			
35	2017-12-06	4/0/0	USHAKOV/SCOTT MOVED TO approve the Annual General Eating PA Request for no more than \$150.00 as presented		LARSEN away	PA
35	2017-12-06	4/0/0	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVED TO approve a contingency allocation of no more than \$24000 for data recovery and server repairs.		LARSEN away	
35	2017-12-06	4/0/0	PACHES/USHAKOV MOVED TO approve the presented Job Description for an Assistant Operation Manager, Food Services.		LARSEN away	
36	2017-12-20	5/0/0	BANISTER/LARSEN MOVED TO call an additional meeting of Students' Council on January 8 at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers.			
36	2017-12-20	5/0/0	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVED TO approve a Project Allocation not to exceed \$1730.00 for the Golden Box Day as presented.			PA
36	2017-12-20	5/0/0	USHAKOV/SCOTT MOVED TO approve a Project Allocation not to exceed \$1550.00 for the Rocket Man beverage dispensers as presented.			PA
37	2018-01-04	5/0/0	PACHES/SCOTT MOVED TO approve a Project Allocation not to exceed \$850.00 for the 2018 UASU Got This Campaign as presented.			PA
39	2018-01-11	5/0/0	LARSEN/PACHES MOVED TO approve the Client Coordinator Job Description as presented.			
39	2018-01-11	5/0/0	PACHES/USHAKOV MOVED TO approve a Project Allocation not to exceed \$150.00 for the Joint Faculty Leadership Summit as presented.			PA
40	2018-01-15	5/0/0	SCOTT/USHAKOV moves to budget no more than \$1300 to send the Executive and the DRPA to the Council of Alberta University Students All Executive Conference.			
41	2018-01-17	5/0/0	SCOTT/USHAKOV MOVED TO approve a Project Allocation not to exceed \$600.00 for the Student Governance Mixer as presented.			PA



University of Alberta Students' Union

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00PM

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2017-17)

2017-17/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, February 6 at 6:00pm at Campus St. Jean. Travel arrangements are detailed in the WhatsApp.

A Gateway photographer is present to update their stock photos of Students' Council.

2017-17/2 PRESENTATIONS

2017-17/2a *Presentation Title:* Executive Goals Update - Presented by the 2017/18 Students' Union Executive

Abstract: The Executive Team will provide an update on their goals to Students' Council.

Presenters:

- Marina Banister, President
- Robyn Paches, Vice-President (Operations and Finance)
- Reed Larsen, Vice-President (External)
- Shane Scott, Vice-President (Academic)
- Ilya Ushakov, Vice-President (Student Life)

PACHES/USHAKOV SPONSORED the *Executive Goals Update* at the January 23, 2018 meeting of Students' Council.

BANISTER: Delivered an update concerning the Executive's progress in the areas: (a) welcoming students on Campus, (b) supporting student culture, (c) bringing students

back to Campus, and (d) establishing a predictable and affordable future for students. Emphasised that a report concerning student rights in relation to a Charter is under development. Announced that an information page/listing of student rights will be published as an interim solution.

SCOTT: Noted he is ensuring accessibility to resources, services, and supports. Determined his focus on free and open academic materials and a syllabus database.

USHAKOV: Announced that a UofA Mental Health Strategy is under development. Noted the BearsDen software is under reconsideration. Noted a InfoLink Live Event Calendar is under development for early February. Announced ongoing consultation on the Lister Meal Plan.

PACHES: Expressed concern in relation to the exponential growth of requests for aid from the Access Fund. Reported Room at the Top and Dewey's seen increases in the amount and variety of events. Reported that the SU has secured two positions on the Centre LRT Consultation Group. Announced the ongoing development of his report on UofA building maintenance.

LARSEN: Noted the million per year Provincial grant for mental health is being dispersed. Reported on his advocacy to create a direct application process for City of Edmonton entry-level positions. Noted he is advocating for Provincial regulation of mandatory non-instructional fees.

SPEAKER: Extended the presentation by fifteen minutes via acclimation.

2017-17/2b *Presentation Title:* Identity Matters! and UASU Got This

Abstract: : A presentation on the research that the Students' Union completed this year on identity in undergrad student governance and a new project they are conducting to encourage diverse representation in student governance.

Presenter:

- Shane Scott, Vice President (Academic)

SCOTT/THIBAudeau SPONSORED a presentation from the Vice President Academic at the January 23rd meeting of Council.
See SC-2017-17.09.

SCOTT: Noted a study, [Identity Matters!](#), investigated the participation of women and minorities in high levels of student governance. Clarified the central focus on the research as trying to understand whether identity contributes to participation in governance. Noted the survey received just under 2000 responses and yielded quantitative and qualitative data. Established that, in keeping, the "[UASU Got This](#)" Campaign will encourage underrepresented students in becoming leaders.

2017-17/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Ilya USHAKOV, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.
Robyn PACHES, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report.
Shane SCOTT, Vice President (Academic) - Report.
Reed LARSEN, Vice President (External) - Report.
Marina BANISTER, President - Report.

2017-17/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

Audit Committee - Report.
Bylaw Committee - Report.
Council Administration Committee - Report.
Finance Committee - Report.
Nominating Committee - Report.
Policy Committee - Report.
Board of Governors - Report.
Landing Board of Directors - Report.
Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Ad Hoc Committee - Report.
Gateway Student Journalism Society - Report.
General Faculty Council - Report.
CJSR 88.5 FM Radio - Report

2017-17/5 OPEN FORUM

2017-17/6 QUESTION PERIOD

2017-17/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2017-17/7a Bill #5 - Students' Council Legislative and Committee Structure Reform - *Second Reading*

HOWIE/CHRISTENSEN MOVED to approve the second reading of Bill #5, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the first principles listed below.

First Principles (Approved January 8, 2018):

1. Bylaw 100 is the premiere piece of legislation of Students' Council, housing much of the administrative and operational regulations of the body.
2. Legislation within Bylaw 100 is loosely defined with little direction given surrounding the procedures and protocols of the various forms of legislation. There are currently legislative processes for the creation of bylaws, political policies, and the budget that are described in Students' Council's standing orders, but are not reflected in bylaw. As these processes do not change year to year and are binding, they should be reflected in bylaw.

3. The legislative process of approving bylaws shall be clarified in Bylaw 100 to mandate each piece of legislation go through first and second reading, with second reading being drafted by Bylaw Committee.
4. The legislative process of approving policies shall be clarified in Bylaw 100 to mandate each piece of legislation go through first and second reading, with second reading being drafted by Policy committee.
5. The legislative process of approving the budget shall be clarified in Bylaw 100 to mandate the first reading of budget principles and the itemized budget be drafted by Finance committee.
6. In light of DIE Board Ruling 2017-02, there is a lack of clarity surrounding the timing of the start up meeting and first meeting of Students' Council as defined in Bylaw 100.
7. Bylaw 100 shall be amended to allow the startup meeting to occur anytime within April.
8. Bylaw 100 shall be amended to relax the mandated timing of the first meeting of each Students' Council term from before May 7 to before May 15 of each year.
9. In light of recent discussions surrounding committee structure, four new categories of committees will be defined with definitions including, but not limited to:
 - a. "Legislative" committees
 - i. Committees whose mandate include a delegated, legislative function of Students' Council.
 1. Audit, Bylaw, Policy, Council Administration, Finance, and Nominating Committee shall be reclassified as "Legislative" committees.
 - ii. These committees shall have a closed membership of only elected members of Students' Council or Designates.
 - iii. These committees shall be recurring.
 - iv. The list and mandate of these committees shall remain in Bylaw 100.
 - v. These committee shall only be created or eliminated through two readings of Students' Council amending Bylaw 100.
 - b. "Oversight" committees

- i. Committees whose mandate include providing recommendations on internal and external Students' Union policies and providing guidance, advice, oversight, or other information to the organization on a general topic.
 - ii. These committees may have an open membership of elected members of Students' Council, unelected individuals, or both.
 - iii. These committees shall be recurring.
 - iv. The list and mandate of these committees shall be housed in the Bylaw 100 Schedule B.
 - v. These committees may be created, approved, or formalized by a simple majority vote of Students' Council.
 - vi. These committees shall only be eliminated by two majority votes of Students' Council amending the Bylaw 100 Schedule B at two separate meetings occurring not less than one week apart.
- c. "Ad hoc" committees:
- i. Committees whose mandate is narrow surrounding a particular topic, initiative, project, or investigation.
 - ii. These committees may have an open membership of elected members of Students' Council, unelected individuals, or both.
 - iii. Expire at a designated time not to exceed 1 year.
 - iv. The list and mandate of these committees shall be housed in the Bylaw 100 Schedule B.
 - v. These committees may be created, approved, formalized, eliminated or renewed by a simple majority vote of Students' Council or the Executive committee.
 - vi. Ad hoc committees may also be referred to as "task forces."
- d. "Operational" committees:
- i. Committees whose mandate is to serve a specific operational function of the Students' Union.
 - ii. These committees may have an open membership of elected members of Students' Council, unelected individuals, or both.

- iii. These committees shall be recurring.
 - iv. The list and mandate of these committees shall be housed in the Bylaw 100 Schedule B.
 - v. These committees may be created, approved, or formalized by a simple majority vote of Students' Council or the Executive committee.
 - vi. These committees shall only be eliminated by a simple majority vote of Students' Council or the Executive Committee.
10. The definition of "standing committee" shall be eliminated.
 11. Under the new classification, all formalized committees shall be eligible for the administrative support of Discover Governance or the Students' Union, as needed.
 12. The current "Bylaw 100 Schedule" shall be renamed "Bylaw 100 Schedule A".
 13. A new "Bylaw 100 Schedule B" shall be created.

See SC-2017-17.10

HOWIE: Noted that the amendments are intended to clearly define committee classifications and allow committees flexibility in selecting their classification within the structural reform.

SANDARE: Inquired into how committee classifications would be affected.

HOWIE: Responded that amendments to Bylaw 100 *Schedule B* classifications can be made as a motion moved by simple majority at Students' Council.

SCOTT: Reiterated his reservations about Bill #5 as exclusionary. Acknowledged, however, that the Second Principles follow in the spirit of the First Principles.

SPEAKER: Emphasised that councillors should approve *2017-17/7a* if they believe the Second Principles to appropriately represent the First Principles as approved on *SC 2017-15*.

LARSON/BANISTER MOVED to amend the item 17.2.d to remove a repeat of the word "question".

Accepted as friendly.

THIBAudeau/CHOI MOVED to amend the *Schedule B §8.1* to represent fifty percent plus one of the permanent voting membership as per Bylaw discussions.

Accepted as friendly.

LARSON: Inquired into the rationale for a limited committee attendance policy.

CHRISTENSEN: Responded that Bylaw did not wish to implement committee attendance regulations stricter than those which applied to Students' Council.

25/1/0 - CARRIED

2017-17/7b Student Events Initiative Referendum Question

PACHES/CHRISTENSEN MOVED to approve the Student Events Initiative referendum question, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, as listed below.

The Students Events Initiative (SEI) is defined as follows:

- Renovations to the Myer Horowitz Theatre;
- The creation of additional event and support space in the Students' Union Building (SUB);
- An increase in grants for student group events by \$100,000 per year;
- An increase to funding for featured programming of \$100,000 per year;
- An expanded student ticket discount program for events on-campus and in the larger community; and,
- Commitments from the University of Alberta to invest in renovations to the main floor of SUB to create an accessible north entrance, to appropriately invest in necessary building infrastructure, and, to continue with the student management of common areas through the year 2050.

The conditions of the fee shall include:

1. The fee will be reduced to 50% per semester until substantive project completion.
2. The fee and included grants will be indexed to inflation.
3. Students enrolled in the Faculty of Augustana will be exempt from the fee.
4. Students who are enrolled in programs (including, but not limited to, project, thesis, internship, practicum, and study abroad) that exclusively take place outside of the Universal Transit Pass service area are eligible to opt-out of this fee.

Do you support a fee of \$16.50 per undergraduate student per semester in each of the Fall and Winter semesters, and \$8.25 per undergraduate student enrolled in the Spring/Summer semester, to support the Student Events Initiative?

PACHES: Established that the motion was drafted by Bylaw Committee and reviewed by Finance Committee. Noted that the First Principles for the Student Events Initiative referendum were formatted within the standardised template which impartially details the facts for students to make an informed decision.

26/0/0 - CARRIED

2017-17/7c Engineering Students' Society FAMF - Referendum Question

CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVED to approve the Engineering Students Society FAMF referendum question, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, as listed below.

The Engineering Students' Society (ESS) is the student faculty association for the Faculty of Engineering. As an undergraduate engineering student, you are currently charged a Faculty Association Membership Fee (FAMF) of \$7.00 per semester. The proposed increased membership fee of \$20.00 per semester will provide engineering student groups on campus with access to more funding.

The conditions of the fee shall include:

1. It shall be distributed according to the framework approved by the University of Alberta Students' Union Students' Council and is subject to the oversight of the Audit Committee.
2. The same fee will be applied to full-time and part-time students.
3. Students who are not on campus (on a co-op term or study term abroad) will not be charged the membership fee.
4. The fee shall not be charged in the Spring/Summer semester.
5. Students may opt-out of this fee by contacting the ESS before the add/drop deadline of each semester.
6. The fee will have a two (2) year lifetime with an expiry of September 1, 2020.

Do you support a Faculty Association Membership Fee increase for the Engineering Students' Society from the current \$7 per student, per semester to \$20 per student, per semester effective September 1st, 2018?

CHRISTENSEN: Noted that Bylaw reviewed the proposal and has no outstanding concerns.

26/0/0 - CARRIED

2017-17/8 GENERAL ORDERS

2017-17/8a SCOTT/BILAK MOVED to approve the proposal for a FAMF Referendum for the Organization for Arts Students and Interdisciplinary Studies.

SCOTT: Emphasised that councillors must vote on whether the proposal is a responsible use of money and not according to whether councillors believe the student group merits the funds.

BILAK: Commended OASIS on its planning and organisation. Supported the referendum as it (a) increases grant funding, (b) produces Arts events, and (c) creates a discount card for students.

HASSAN: Expressed concern over the extent of OASIS consultations, especially in light of the low-turnout at the OASIS Town Hall.

BANISTER: Opposed the referendum citing limited consultation and limited accountability in the use of funds. Suggested OASIS, an organisation in its infancy, should return next year with a stronger proposal.

WILSON: Noted his preliminary, informal consultations have shown support for the FAMF Referendum

LIU: Opposed the Referendum on the basis of her unofficial consultations which revealed a general unawareness of OASIS.

SCOTT: Noted the Faculty of Arts is large and decentralised which limits the possibility of widespread consultation and engagement.

BROPHY: Suggested FAMF Referenda are internal matters, the merit of which is to be considered by a given faculty. Posited Students' Council should consider only whether a proposal is following process and not attempt to evaluate its merit.

ANGUS: Clarified that OASIS is reforming its organisational structure and implementing a better procedure for granting. Stated that OASIS hopes to connect with students that do not have faculty associations. Reaffirmed OASIS's commitment to ensuring its financial decisions are publicly available.

LIU: Responded that OASIS should first improve its structure, procedure and consultation before receiving additional funding. Suggested OASIS represents a small portion of Arts students, specifically those within political science.

BANISTER: Suggested OASIS presently has a lack of relevance to Arts students and needs time to grow. Urged OASIS to engage with the social sciences, humanities, and the fine arts as a whole. Noted that OASIS did not utilise the Faculty mailing list to engage with students.

ANGUS: Noted ArtsCon is intended to expand engagement to varied departments throughout the Faculty of Arts. Emphasised that short time period for the FAMF makes it a low risk decision which can be reevaluated within two years.

WILSON: Hoped that the FAMF and OASIS will empower small departments to form their own associations.

14/10/2 - CARRIED

Angus abstains.

2017-17/8b SCOTT/LARSEN MOVED to approve the proposal for a FAMF Referendum for the Educations Students Association.

24/1/0 - CARRIED

2017-17/8c SCOTT/HOWIE MOVED to approve the proposal for a FAMF Referendum for L'Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean.

HOWIE: Opposed the proposal as it neither had the full support of the association nor the students. Suggested the proposal return next year after better planning and a greater degree of due diligence.

BANISTER: Opposed the proposal citing a limited consultation.

PACHES: Offered his assistance to the association in writing a proposal in-line with Students' Council standards.

FLAMAN: Inquired into the status of an aforementioned grant that had not arrived from the Dean of Students Office. Noted former executives of the association have vocalised opposition to the proposal.

SCOTT: Responded that while \$20,000 was purported to be missing, the real sum was \$5,000 and was received as a Campus Association Grant. Supported the Association's intent to create an international student scholarship.

3/22/1 - FAILED

2017-17/9 INFORMATION ITEMS

2017-17/9a Report from Vice President (Student Life)

See SC 2017-17.01

- 2017-17/9b Report from the President
See SC 2017-17.02
- 2017-17/9c Report from Vice President (Academic)
See SC 2017-17.03
- 2017-17/9d Report from Vice President (Operations and Finance)
See SC 2017-17.04
- 2017-17/9e Report from Vice President (External)
See SC 2017-17.05
- 2017-17/9f Executive Committee Motion Tracking
See SC 2017-17.06
- 2017-17/9g Student Council Motion Tracking Sheet
See SC 2017-17.07
- 2017-17/9g Students' Council Attendance
See SC 2017-17.08
- 2017-17/9h *Votes and Proceedings*, SC-2017-16-OP-20170109 - Tuesday, January 9, 2018
SC 2017-17.09
- 2017-17/9i *Identity Matters! and UASU Got This* Presentation
SC 2017-17.10
- 2017-17/9j Bill #5 - Students' Council Legislative and Committee Structure Reform - *Second Reading*
SC 2017-17.11

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:10PM.

1 Facts

1. The true cost of being a student is composed of many factors, such as tuition, non-academic costs, cost of living, foregone wages, and academic materials.
2. The University of Alberta estimates that a student should expect to spend \$1750 on academic materials. ~~books and supplies. Academic materials represent a significant cost to students, given that the average student spends \$1000–\$1700 per year on academic materials, depending on year of study, discipline, and course content.~~
3. The rate of textbook price increases have exceeded the rate of inflation over the last decade. ~~; at the University of Alberta, the average textbook price increased 280% between 1995 and 2007 while the Consumer Price Index only rose 22%. ... the Consumer Price Index only rose 18 % from 2006-2016.~~
4. Publishers often introduce newer and more expensive editions of textbooks in rapid succession without necessarily undertaking substantial content revision, which adversely affects the used textbook market, leading students to incur higher costs in affording academic materials.
5. Students can recover part of the cost of their textbooks by selling them as used books, and students can usually acquire a textbook for a lower price by buying used. There are also many opportunities to acquire academic materials at a discounted price or for free.
6. Online textbooks that are either leased or may only be single access use cannot be sold to recover part of the cost. ~~Online textbooks and other academic materials that are accessed online undercut the used book market and cannot be resold to recover part of the cost.~~
7. Course instructors are the primary decision-makers in terms of setting academic materials for their courses.
8. The use of additional and online academic tools and platforms (such as learning management systems, online assignments, and materials aimed at enhancing self-evaluation by students), are increasingly being offered by publishers for a nominal cost and are becoming more widespread. ~~to instructors aimed at improving students' overall learning experiences, has become more widespread.~~
9. The tools and platforms used to offer additional ~~and online~~ academic materials to students often vary by publishers and are not standardized across courses and faculties, leading to additional expenses for students.

10. The use of mandatory access codes in courses imposes a further financial burden on students already paying for instructional costs of post-secondary education. ~~in the form of tuition, textbooks, and mandatory fees.~~
11. The Government of Canada already has mechanisms in place for Goods and Services Tax (GST) exemptions.
12. There are no provincial sales taxes levied on books for Canadian provinces that use a Harmonized Sales Tax (HST).
13. The Book Importation Regulations approved by the Governor General in Council in July 1999 allowed book importers to charge a premium of 10% on books imported from the United States and 15% on books from any other country.¹
14. Students have the right to access some copyrighted material for academic purposes as per the Copyright Act and related laws.
15. Open Educational Resources (OER) are resources, such as textbooks, course materials, video clips, images, infographics, multimedia applications, or whole courses that have been designed for use in teaching and learning that are freely available and published with an open license which permits users to reuse, revise, remix, retain, and redistribute them (known as the "5Rs").

References

¹ <https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tuition-and-scholarships/tuition-and-fees>

1 Facts

1. University experience is not limited to academia. Students need support in all aspects of their lives in order to be successful.
2. Student health and wellness of an individual includes emotional, mental, physical, spiritual, and sexual health.
3. Student health and wellness is impacted by many externalities such as, but not limited to, accessibility of physical environments, addictive behaviour, availability of clinical services, food security, financial security, inclusivity, physical fitness and health, positive work ~~build~~ environments, and social community.
4. ~~When student Health and wellness suffers, there can be~~ significantly impacts on student academic success and social wellbeing.
5. Students are increasingly susceptible to high levels of stress due to heavy workloads.
6. Services supporting student health and wellness include more than just clinical services.
7. The current levels of service and availability of facilities on campus do not adequately address student need.
8. Awareness of health and wellness services does not sufficiently extend across the student body.