
**Tuesday, May 4, 2021
6:00PM
Zoom**

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-2021-01)

2021-01/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2021-01/1a Announcements - The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on **Tuesday, May 18 2021 at 6:00PM** via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85666007012>

Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012

2021-01/2 PRESENTATIONS

2021-01/2a **KONRAD MOVESTO** introduce his role as Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative

See SC-2021-01.03.

2021-01/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2021-01/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

2021-01/5 OPEN FORUM

2021-01/6 QUESTION PERIOD

2021-01/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2021-01/7a **KIMANI MOVESTO** appoint Two (2) members of Students' Council to the First

Alberta Campus Radio Association (FACRA) Board of Directors.

2021-01/7b **KIMANI MOVES TO** appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to the Gateway Student Journalism Society (GSJS) Board of Directors.

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2021-01/7e **KIMANI MOVES TO** appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to the Student Legal Services Board of Directors.

2021-01/7f **KIMANI MOVES TO** appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to the The Landing Board of Directors.

See SC-2021-01.04-09.

2021-01/8 GENERAL ORDERS

2021-01/8a **DIXON MOVES TO** re-affirm the ad-hoc Sustainability Committee and Standing Orders.

See SC-2021-01.10.

2021-01/8b **LEY/DIXON MOVES TO** discuss campus safety initiatives

See SC-2021-01.11.

2021-01/8c **KONRAD MOVES TO** discuss the Board of Governor's Strategic Retreat Planning

See SC-2021-01.12.

2021-01/9 INFORMATION ITEMS

2021-01/9a GRTF recommendations to be considered for implementation by Students' Council.

See SC-2021-01.01.

2021-01/9b Bog Rep Report I - Representation and Metrics

See SC-2021-01.02.

2021-01/9c Students' Council - Attendance

See SC-2021-01.13.

2021-01/9d Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-00) Tuesday, April 20, 2021

See-2021-01.14

2021-22 - Council Submissions

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

This form is intended to be used by members of Students' Council to submit items for Council meetings.

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, May 4, 2021

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Action Requested Information Items

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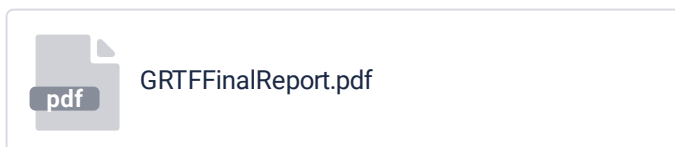
Abstract

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Next Steps

This document is the final GRTF recommendations to be considered for implementation by Students' Council.

Attachments



RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GOVERNANCE RESTRUCTURING TASK FORCE

APRIL 2021

GOVERNANCE RESTRUCTURING TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP

Joel Agarwal, UASU President (Chair)

Alana Krahn, UASU VP Operations & Finance

David Draper, UASU VP Academic

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Chris Beasley, Faculty Association Representative

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Kristen Stoik, Administrative Services Manager

Marc Dumouchel, General Manager

INTRODUCTION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

During the 2020/21 academic year, Students' Council established the Governance Restructuring Task Force (GRTF) as an ad-hoc committee. Council gave the GRTF a mandate to develop recommendations for structural changes to governance models at the University of Alberta Students' Union (UASU). Council's goal was to explore ways to make student leadership more effective, more democratic, and more inclusive. The GRTF included representatives from Students' Council and three Student Representative Associations (SRAs).

For several months, the GRTF committee members met to discuss the functionality of Students' Council and Student Representative Associations in the context of academic restructuring. Among other sources, the committee referred to the recommendations of a previous governance structure review in 2015.

Further to this, representatives on the GRTF were to represent the diverse opinions of Students' Council, Faculty Associations, Residence Associations, and Campus Associations.

THE COMMITTEE IDENTIFIED THREE KEY PRIORITIES:

- **Improving the Students' Council experience for elected representatives**
- **Improving the functionality of governance**
- **Improving transparency toward the student body**

The committee kept Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) as a primary crosscutting focus by including diverse student representation in deliberation, consultation, and recommendation processes.

AT A HIGH LEVEL, THE GRTF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

- 1 Restructuring Students' Council by reducing its size and introducing a Student Senate
- 2 Rebalancing committee workloads and composition
- 3 Paying Students' Council members an appropriate honorarium
- 4 Adjusting governance-related events to better engage SRAs, particularly those from other campuses
- 5 Supporting cooperation and coordination between SRAs

CURRENT STRUCTURES

During the past several years, the UASU has formally and informally reviewed governance structures to address ongoing issues with accessibility, transparency and overall functionality.

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

The Constitution of the UASU is the Post-Secondary Learning Act (PSLA), a provincial law that establishes student unions in Alberta. The PSLA gives student unions a broad mandate to promote student welfare, represent students' best interests, and serve as the primary line of communication between the student body and university leadership. In addition to the PSLA, the UASU governs itself according to bylaws, political policies, and operating policies.

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Students' Council is the ultimate authority in the UASU. It consists of 43 members:

- The President of the UASU
- Four Vice Presidents
- 35 Faculty Councillors (distributed on the principle of representation by population)
- The Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative
- The Speaker (non-voting)
- The General Manager (non-voting)

Together, these individuals are responsible for fulfilling the mandate of the Students' Union under the PSLA.

Students' Council has delegated some of its authority to its various committees, notably the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement (DIE) Board and the Executive Committee.

Council retains ultimate control and authority over the elected Executive Officers, staff, all money collected under its authority, and any subsidiary body created under its auspices. In short, all power, control and responsibility ultimately is vested in Council.

Council has created a number of standing committees and boards to assist it in its work. While there are other committees in the Students' Union established by the Executive Committee or Staff, standing committees exist to carry out the business of Students' Council. As such, they consist almost exclusively of elected members of the Students' Council.

These committees allow Council to greatly expand the amount of business it can deal with, as committees carry out delegated activities and refine suggested actions to be taken by Council.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE ASSOCIATIONS

SRAs provide services and advocacy for a definable and enumerable constituency. Students' Council has delegated portions of its representative authority to SRAs. They are important because they understand and can advocate for the more specialized needs of smaller sections of campus, like Faculties or Residences.

The current SRAs are:

- 14 Faculty Associations (FAs)
- 5 Residence Associations (RAs)
- Two SRAs independent of FAs and RAs: Aboriginal Students' Council and the International Students' Association.

FAs and RAs often engage with the UASU through the Council of Faculty Associations (COFA) and Council of Residence Associations (CORA). The GRTF stresses that COFA and CORA are vital arenas for consultation and cooperation. Any governance restructuring effort should not diminish their role.

However, many of the recommendations for the Student Senate focus on collaboration, a primary mandate of COFA and CORA. It will be important to have further conversations about the specific roles and responsibilities of these bodies so they do not lose their value.

KEY PROBLEMS

Over the course of the 2020/21 GRTF committee's work, it reevaluated and drew upon observations and recommendations from the previous governance structure review (2015/16). The previous review identified specific challenges around councillor engagement and satisfaction with the Students' Council experience. The structure of UASU governance repeatedly came forward as a root issue.

THE GRTF IDENTIFIED SEVEN INTERCONNECTED CHALLENGES:

- 1 High barriers to entry for students to get involved in Students' Council
- 2 Lack of understanding of Students' Council mandate among councillors, candidates, and the public
- 3 Students' Council culture problems and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) concerns
- 4 Lack of connection between FAs/RAs/SRAs and Students' Council
- 5 Lack of recognition for councillors' committed work
- 6 Low or inconsistent SRA engagement in governance, particularly off-campus SRAs
- 7 Committee fatigue, overlap, and inefficiency

CORE RECOMMENDATIONS

RESTRUCTURE STUDENTS' COUNCIL

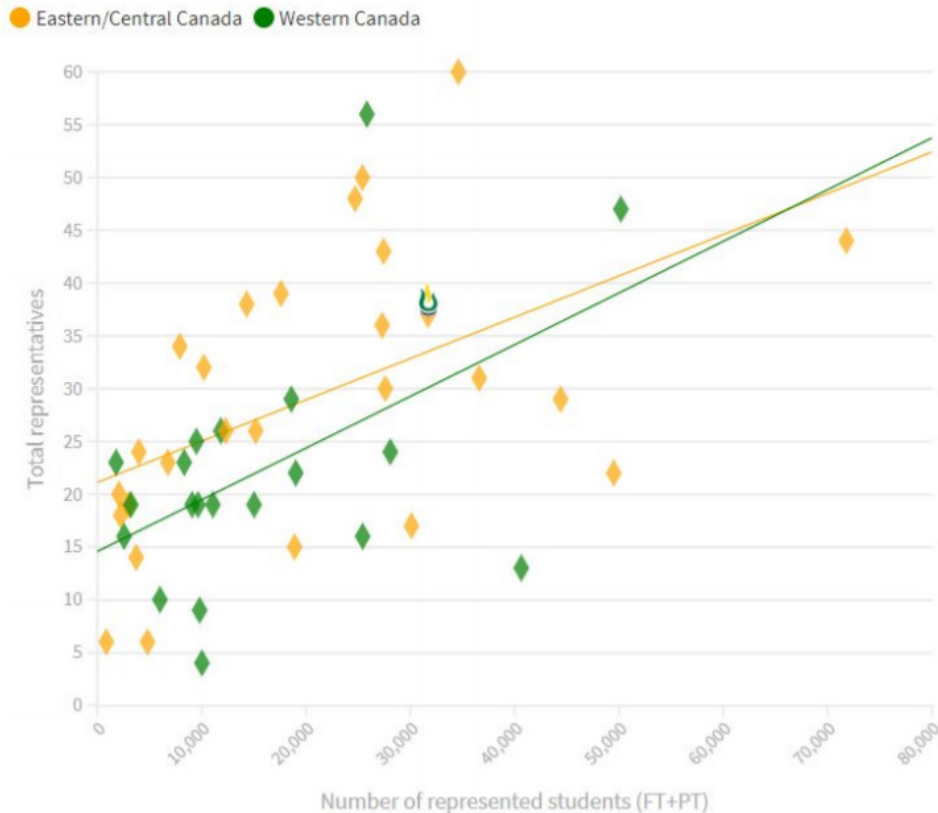
The GRTF recommends reducing the size of Students' Council and implementing a two-tiered system with a Student Senate. The GRTF strongly believes that this change will increase representatives' engagement, improve culture, and strengthen participation opportunities. A smaller Students' Council should lead to improved engagement, relationships, communication, and participation. To prevent a smaller Council from potentially threatening diversity in representation, the GRTF recommends creating expanded opportunities by recruiting a Student Senate and integrated, supported students-at-large.

With a demographic bulge coming, Alberta needs to create 90,000 seats in post secondary institutions. Under our current model, Students' Council will continue to grow larger, less efficient, and less engaged.

In Fall 2020, the GRTF commissioned and received a research project on 48 student association board structures across Canada. The project revealed that UASU has a somewhat larger-than-average student leadership board. Many comparable schools have 20-35 representatives. The University of Calgary Students' Union, our nearest comparator, has 24.

Note that the chart shows the UASU's board as somewhat smaller than it currently is, as Students' Council has grown with the student body.

Total Representatives



To retain the benefits of both a large and a small representative board, the GRTF recommends considering a two-tiered model. A smaller Students' Council of perhaps 25 members would hold primary responsibility under the PSLA, but would work alongside a larger deliberation body: the Student Senate. The Senate would include members from representative groups like Faculty Associations, Residence Associations, the International Student Association, the Aboriginal Students' Council.

Within GRTF discussions, members stressed the importance of not just 'meeting for the sake of meeting.' SRAs are already bogged down with additional meetings that may not bring consistent value. A Student Senate, while not devaluing COFA and CORA, would need to bring value to SRAs and their membership. The GRTF suggests that each SRA would hold two seats in the Senate: one for the SRA's president and the other as a 'flex seat', a representative chosen by the SRA each semester.

The GRTF suggests that the Senate create a committee for agenda-setting and administrative planning, comparable to the General Faculties Council Executive Committee. This committee would save the Senate considerable time and make for structured, productive meetings.

In theory, the Senate would include the UASU Executives for ease of consultation and cooperation. The UASU President would chair the agenda/planning committee and the Senate ex officio. However, the GRTF did not come to any firm conclusions about whether or how to include the rest of Students' Council in the Senate.

As a broad and diverse arena, the Senate would increase consultation, transparency, and student engagement, while increasing the connection between Students' Council and SRAs. However, GRTF members stressed that the Senate should not exist purely as a consultative body:

it should be able to provide additional value to its membership through delegated authority.

GRTF members also emphasized the importance of robust standards for consultation. When Students' Council, the University, and other key stakeholders bring issues to the Student Senate, consultation should be substantive.

REBALANCE COMMITTEE WORKLOADS AND COMPOSITION

Getting involved with Students' Council and its committees requires student representatives to commit significant time and effort. The required level of commitment poses a barrier to entry, both through an EDI lens and across the board.

The GRTF concluded that the UASU's governance structure needs to include lower-commitment, easily-accessible opportunities for meaningful involvement and contribution. One such opportunity would be student-at-large positions: members of the general student body who sit on committees without the other responsibilities of Students' Council members.

Comparable student-at-large positions are extremely common across Canada. In the research report mentioned above, students-at-large made up the majority of student governance seats in around one quarter of the student associations examined. Students-at-large also expand the pool of diverse students engaged in student governance.

The GRTF recommends changing bylaws to replace some fraction of councillor seats with students-at-large in each of the following committees:

- Finance Committee
- Policy Committee
- Audit Committee
- Council Administration Committee

Student-at-large positions could also be appropriate for Nominating Committee, though it has an unpredictable workload that fluctuates throughout the year.

Committee fatigue raises further barriers to entry: some committees' workloads are disproportionate. The GRTF recommends rebalancing committees' mandates with an eye to more consistent workloads, less overlap, and more efficient governance.



PAY STUDENTS' COUNCIL MEMBERS AN HONORARIUM

Between Students' Council meetings, committee service, and consultation efforts, councillors put significant time and energy into ensuring that students are represented in decision-making. This service often comes with academic burdens and does not allow for students to engage in Students' Council if they need to work. Many comparable student representative positions across Canada pay honoraria to show appreciation, reduce barriers, and encourage high-quality participation.¹

Alongside reducing the size of Students' Council, the GRTF recommends creating a budget line as an honorarium for councillors, excluding members of the Executive. Existing awards for councillors would be maintained to incentivize strong service. An additional honorarium would apply to committee chairs, to reflect increased workload and responsibility. Student-at-large positions would be volunteer roles.

¹ For example, at the University of Calgary Students' Union, councillors receive roughly \$350 per month during September to April, and roughly \$150 per month during May to August, partially indexed to CPI. See UCSU Union Bylaw sections 123-125. \$350 per month is roughly equivalent to working five and a half hours per week at minimum wage.

POTENTIAL INITIATIVES

CHANGES TO GOVCAMP

Representatives from SRAs at Augustana and Campus Saint-Jean pointed out that GovCamp tends to place too much focus on the North Campus context. One suggestion was to meaningfully bring representatives from the other campuses to the table during planning of the conference.

STUDENT SUMMIT

GRTF members suggested hosting broad student summits, gatherings that would showcase the work done in student leadership. Ideally, these summits would be more 'grassroots' and less centrally organized than Student Leaders' Week. Rather than hosting events exclusively at North Campus, GRTF discussed the possibility of using these summits to bring together student leaders from all campuses. The summit concept could align well with the role of the proposed Student Senate.

POSITION-BASED AND ISSUES-BASED COOPERATION

The GRTF explored two modes of cooperation between SRAs, both of which can benefit from greater support and facilitation.

In position-based cooperation, specific SRA leaders - Vice Presidents Finance, for example - connect with counterparts. While SRA leaders' portfolios may not match up one-to-one, position-based cooperation has great potential to disseminate best practices and prevent SRAs from reinventing the wheel.

Alternatively, SRAs can connect on individual issues, either ad hoc or through facilitated structures. GRTF members suggested that, when major issues impact specific constituencies within multiple SRAs, the Executive Committee of the Student Senate could strike a task force with representation from those SRAs. This model would bring SRAs into closer collaboration with each other and the UASU.



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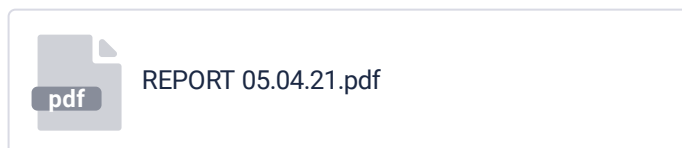
Action Requested Information Items

Information Items

Abstract

Bog Rep Report 1 - Representation and Metrics

Attachments



Date: 05.04.21

To: Students' Union Council

Re: BoG Rep 2020/2021 Report 1 - **Representation and Metrics**

Dear Council,

Exams took a lot of my time up these last two weeks, but I still have some things to share! Hope you're all surviving post-exams and looking forward to summer!

Pressing Issues

1. **AB2030 Release:** I am reviewing the Government of Alberta (GoA) recommendations for post-secondary education and will share about how these factored into my Board Reputation and Public Affairs Committee (BRPAC) meeting on Friday, April 30th.

Meetings

1. **The Landing:** met with the outgoing coordinator to discuss the best consultation pathway for my role.
2. **Federal Budget Meeting:** hosted by the Political Science Undergraduate Association, I had the opportunity to hear from Minister Karina Gould about how the budget benefits students, and asked why [Maskwa House of Learning](#) had not been funded by the Government of Canada (GoC), even though UAlberta applies to both the GoA and GoC for infrastructural funding. She shared that GoC only funds GoA's funding nominations and that I could chat with the Special Representative for the Prairies about this.
3. **Board Governance Committee (BGC):** topics included approving new Board bylaws an accompanying handbook for new members, which will be useful to new student reps, and the recent joint meeting between BGC and General Faculty Council's (GFC) Executive Committee regarding Academic Restructuring controversies.
 - a. Notably, while the bylaws indicated that recruitment was based on competency alone, the recently amended Mandates and Roles document that guides recruitment to the Board, raises the importance of diversity (this amendment, [approved by the Board in March 2020](#), has not been approved the Minister of Advanced Education, so it cannot be found publicly anywhere. Here is the [public, current rendition](#)).
 - b. I raised the short term need for the handbook's university history section to include our existence on forcefully ceded Treaty 6 land and the larger need for the Board to consider and communicate how it, a colonial governing body, interacts with Indigenous governance systems in a spirit of reconciliation.

Dave Konrad, Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative

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- c. **Google Form Consultation:** apologies for not getting forms out for BGC or BRPAC; exam preparation took all of my time, but I will get out forms for other meetings going forward.
- 4. **GFC:** some topics included were graduate courses, a new GFC committee on the Documentation of Indigeneity and GFC establishing a position on the metrics the Board had established for the recently approved [Academic Restructuring model](#) (aka colleges with college deans).
 - a. I raised the need for a metric that evaluated college EDI implementation that aligned with something like UAlberta's [EDI strategic plan](#). The Provost told me that the Board would implement this if they wanted it.

Professional Development

- 1. **Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) Shared Conversations on EDI:** involving several sessions over two days, we learned about and discussed EDI in regards to students experiencing disabilities, CASA's Indigenous Advisory Council, and campus sexual violence and racism across Canadian institutions.

Thanks for reading!



University of Alberta Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative
Dave Konrad

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Action Requested Presentation

Presentation

Motion KONRAD MOVES TO introduce his role as Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative

Abstract

Because UAlberta's Board is a vague, distance governing entity for many students, including Councillors, I would like to give some clarity and give space for questions about what I do so that you as Councillors feel better equipped to engage with me this term!

Alignment with the Strategic Plan

Explaining my role aligns with "Empowering our Students" (pg. 3) so that Councillors feel better equipped to engage with me and my work throughout the term.

Attachments



05.04.21 Introduction SC.pdf

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UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date	Tuesday, May 4, 2021
Mover	KIMANI
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Action Requested	Approval

Approval

Motion	KIMANI MOVES TO appoint Two (2) members of Students' Council to the First Alberta Campus Radio Association (FACRA) Board of Directors.
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Abstract

First Alberta Campus Radio Association (FACRA) is a not-for-profit that holds the broadcast license for CJSR-FM campus radio.

This organization governs the station bylaws and provides oversight to CJSR operations. The FACRA Board consists of up to 12 elected and appointed members, including the requisite 2 SU and 1 GSA representatives.

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UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

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Mover	KIMANI
Email	emily.kimani@su.ualberta.ca
Action Requested	Approval

Approval

Motion	KIMANI MOVES TO appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to the Gateway Student Journalism Society (GSJS) Board of Directors.
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Abstract

The Gateway Student Journalism Society (GSJS) is a not-for-profit, apolitical society that publishes The Gateway, the student newspaper at the University of Alberta. The GSJS is governed by a Board of Directors and meets monthly.

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UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

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Mover	KIMANI
Email	emily.kimani@su.ualberta.ca
Action Requested	Approval

Approval

Motion	KIMANI MOVES TO appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to the Alberta Public Interest Research Group (APIRG) Board of Directors.
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Abstract

APIRG is a Public Interest Research Group which furthers the idea that students are citizens, and as such, part of their education should include recognizing and engaging in societal problems. Public Interest Research Groups exist to provide training, support, and opportunities for students to be active citizens in their communities.

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UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

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Mover	KIMANI
Email	emily.kimani@su.ualberta.ca
Action Requested	Approval

Approval

Motion	KIMANI MOVES TO appoint two (2) members of Students' Council to the World University Services Canada (WUSC) Board of Directors
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Abstract

WUSC is a dedicated fee unit through which an international student is sponsored through financial aid to study at the U of A at Campus Saint Jean or at North Campus.

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Mover	KIMANI
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Action Requested	Approval

Approval

Motion KIMANI MOVES TO appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to the Student Legal Services Board of Directors.

Abstract

Student Legal Services seeks to enable University of Alberta law students to provide free legal information and assistance to the low income community in Edmonton and to contribute to legal reform and legal education efforts as they impact on poverty law issues.

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UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

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Action Requested	Approval

Approval

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Abstract

The Landing's mission is to effect meaningful change in the quality of life of students at the University of Alberta who are marginalized on the basis of gender and/or sexuality, by providing support services that are available for all students, and by promoting student-led initiatives to address the needs of LGBTQIA+ communities at the U of A and beyond. These goals rest on four key pillars of Visibility, Support, Inclusivity, and Community.

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UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date	Tuesday, May 4, 2021
Mover	DIXON
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Action Requested	Approval

Approval

Motion DIXON MOVES to re-affirm the ad-hoc Sustainability Committee and Standing Orders.

Abstract

A year ago the Sustainability Committee was created “to make the Students’ Union more sustainable, environmentally, socially, and economically by evaluating its current practices and suggesting definitive, practical improvements. These improvements should support the Students’ Union as a leader in promoting sustainable practices on campus and in the larger Edmonton community”. Last year we did lots of work as a committee to create these recommendations but as was planned this work is ongoing. Standing orders will be attached.

Attachments



Sustainability Committee Standing Orders.pdf

Ad-Hoc Sustainability Committee Standing Orders

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1 Mission Statement

"The climate math is brutally clear: While the world can't be healed within the next few years, it may be fatally wounded by negligence until 2020." This quote from Hans Joachim Schellnhuber¹ clearly summarizes how dangerous the climate's current state is. We are at a critical point in history, where climate action has never been more important. The environment's well being affects us personally and collectively, at an institutional level; we must take action now.

To bring positive change, sustainable action should not only happen at a grassroots level but at an institutional level as well. Thus, the Students' Council Sustainability Committee (SCSC) exists to respond to the climate crisis² with a student perspective.

¹ The Potsdam Climate Institute's founder and director emeritus

² The term "climate crisis" describes the rapid change in global climate which threatens students' futures, affecting their health, careers, and general livelihood by making earth less habitable for humans.

SCSC's aims to make the Students' Union more sustainable, environmentally, socially, and economically by evaluating its current practices and suggesting definitive, practical improvements. These improvements should support the Students' Union as a leader in promoting sustainable practices on campus and in the larger Edmonton community.

2 Mandate

The SCSC shall:

1. Perform annual evaluations of the Students' Union's sustainability practices in the following areas:
 - a. governance, operations, services, advocacy, and events.
2. Note opportunities for improvement, following an evaluation, and provide practical recommendations for change.
3. Ensure that the Students Union adheres to current sustainability standards and follows best practices whenever possible.

3 Meetings

1. Quorum of the SCSC shall be 6 voting members.
2. On a bi-weekly basis.
3. The Committee's schedule shall be determined at the first meeting of the term and updated on a semesterly basis with the semesters being:
 - a. May to August; and
 - b. September to December; and
 - c. January to April.
4. The Chair may call additional meetings provided that members are given seventy-two (72) hours notice.
5. Decisions shall be approved with a two-thirds vote.

4 Membership (10 members)

1. Should a vacancy on the SCSC occur, the Committee shall recommend the nomination of additional member(s) to Students' Council at Council's next meeting.
2. Members are required to attend 50% of the Committee's meetings.
3. Members shall be considered present
 - a. should proxies be appointed and in attendance as per Bylaw 100 s. 15(5) or
 - b. if members phone in.
4. Should the Chair of the Committee be absent from a meeting, the Chair shall appoint someone to serve in their place for that meeting. If no one is appointed, the Committee shall elect an interim chair from within its permanent voting membership for the duration of the meeting.
 - a. Should the Chair leave the voting membership of the Committee, the position of Chair shall be considered vacant until a new Chair is elected at the next meeting.

5. This committee will include nine (9) voting members and shall be comprised of:
 - a. One member of the Students' Union's Executive Committee.
 - b. Three members of Students' Council. These members shall be elected at a Council meeting with a majority vote.
 - c. Four Students-at-Large, one of whom is currently considered an international student. These students shall be appointed as per Bylaw 100 sections 12.14.
 - d. One member from Aboriginal Students Council (ASC) Executive Committee as appointed by the Aboriginal Student Council and ratified by Students' Council
 - e. One staff member of SustainSU recommended by SustainSU will have a non-voting seat.

5 Chair rules

1. The Chair shall be elected by the SCSC during the first meeting of the term. The Chair's responsibilities are:
 - a. Creating an agenda and emailing it to all members before each meeting;
 - b. Securing meeting locations;
 - c. Moderating debate when necessary;
 - d. Ensuring the Committee achieves its mandate;
 - e. Delegating such responsibilities to members as are appropriate for the Committee's mandate;
 - f. Recommending changes to the Committee's Standing Orders when they conflict with higher legislation;
 - g. Asking Sustain SU committee member to attend meetings when their input is needed.
 - h. Consulting all relevant stakeholders whenever necessary, including but not limited to:
 - i. Indigenous Elders or Traditional Knowledge Keepers,
 - ii. Industry, and
 - iii. the General Manager.

6 Proxies/Guests

1. To appoint a proxy to an SCSC meeting, the absent member must provide a notice no later than two (2) hours prior to the meeting, to the Chair, containing:
 - a. The proxy's name, email address,
 - b. and length of representational appointment.

7 Administration

1. The Administrative Assistant of the Students' Council shall:
 - a. Book meeting rooms for SCSC meetings.
 - b. Book Minute Takers for Committee meetings.

- c. Structure meeting agendas based on the Orders of the Day submitted by members of the Committee and referrals from Students' Council.
- d. Notify the Committee of meetings through the agenda.
- e. Distribute the agenda and minutes to Committee members.
- f. Provided printed copies of the agenda for the Chair to bring to each meeting.

8 Reporting

Meeting minutes shall be provided to the Executive Committee of the Students' Union as an information item. They shall also be made available online for the general student population on the University of Alberta's Students' Union website.

9 Records

If a Minute Taker is not present at the meeting, the Chair shall assign the task of recording minutes to an SCSC member. Committee members may amend their comments in the minutes when the minutes are being approved by the Committee.

10 Rules of Order

The Chair may institute Robert's Rules of Order if the attendees would benefit from the imposition of the structure.

11 Orders of the Day

1. Right of Submission by SCSC Members
 - a. Any voting member of the Committee may submit Orders of the Day to be considered by the Committee.
2. Order of Business
 - a. Introduction
 - i. Call to Order
 - ii. Approval of Agenda
 - iii. Approval of Minutes
 - iv. Chair's Business
 - b. Question/Discussion Period
 - c. Committee Business
 - d. Information Items
 - e. Adjournment
3. Order of Orders of the Day
 - a. Orders of the Day shall appear on the Order Paper in the order submitted or as otherwise designated by the Chair.
4. Deadline for Submission

- a. Members shall send all items for each meeting agenda to Students' Council's Administrative Assistant twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.
5. Late Additions
 - a. Late Additions may be added to the Order Paper at the discretion of the Committee, at the meeting, if the items of business cannot be postponed until a future Committee meeting.
6. Deadline for Publishing
 - a. The agenda package will be published in the following manner:
 - i. On the Students' Union website.
 - ii. No later than 4:30 p.m. on the business day prior to the Committee meeting.

12 Standing Orders

1. The Standing Orders of the SCSC may be amended by a simple majority vote of the Committee, with such changes being reported to Students' Council.
2. The Standing Orders of the Committee do not expire, but shall be reintroduced and approved by a majority vote at the Committee's first meeting of the term.

13 Suggested Committee Timeline

1. May to March: evaluate SU practices.
2. April: compile and submit final findings and report to Council.

14 Confidentiality

1. All members shall ensure the security and confidentiality of financial documents which come into their possession by virtue of their membership on the SCSC.

2021-22 - Council Submissions

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date	Tuesday, May 4, 2021
Mover	Ley
Email	rowan.ley@su.ualberta.ca
Action Requested	Discussion

Discussion

Motion LEY/DIXON move to discuss campus safety initiatives

Abstract

After the stabbing of a student at University Station, the City of Edmonton had brought in a series of new security measures. The SU is working towards bringing Safewalk back in the Fall and improving bystander intervention training and awareness on campus, and the Executive want to hear from Council how the SU can support a safe campus.

2021-22 - Council Submissions

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date	Tuesday, May 4, 2021
Mover	Konrad
Email	dave.konrad@su.ualberta.ca
Action Requested	Discussion

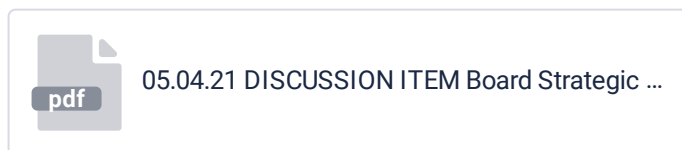
Discussion

Motion KONRAD moves to discuss the Board of Governor's Strategic Retreat Planning

Abstract

The Board holds annual retreats, generally in September, to strategize for the coming year. I want to know what ideas you would like me to contribute to the planning; these ideas may influence what the highest level leaders of UAlberta discuss and think about for the coming year.

Attachments



Date: 05.04.21

To: Students' Union Council

Re: Board Strategic Retreat Content

Context

1. The Board holds annual retreats, generally in September, to build relationships, develop continuing members, orient new members, and determine what strategic direction the Board should take during the year. Over 2 days, there are usually guest speakers/panel and discussions, centred around themes the Board may want to hold as priorities throughout the year.
2. I am bringing this discussion to you very early in your term because the Ad-Hoc Group (mini team that does the retreat planning work) is just setting a meeting time and it may meet before our next Council meeting. I want to know what ideas you would like me to contribute; these ideas may influence what the highest level leaders of UAlberta discuss and think about for the coming year.

Questions for You

1. What themes should retreat include?
2. What themes should the retreat avoid?

Examples

These range in specificity and our themes may be broader or more specific than these below. Don't worry about being specific! Any ideas are welcome!

1. **Navigating our relationship with the Government of Alberta (GoA)** so as to avoid further cuts to UAlberta.
 - a. We are scheduled to lose \$216 million in provincial funding and are \$170 million into this cut, which is why we are undergoing [Academic Restructuring](#) and the [Service Excellence Transformation](#). If we can reduce cuts in the next provincial budget, that would mean less people losing jobs and less reduction in the quality of our education.
2. **Utilizing deconsolidation from GoA's budget** to maximize internal revenue and consider what debt financing opportunities UAlberta has to alleviate pressure on other revenue streams, such as tuition.
 - a. Deconsolidation, achieved in the [GoA's 10-year strategy](#) for post-secondary education in Alberta, means UAlberta's revenue and debt are no longer recorded on GoA's financial records. When they were recorded on GoA's financial records,

we could not spend money or make money because that would look like GoA was making or spending money which would influence their ability to take loans.

3. **How to best implement GoA's most recent [Investment Management Agreement](#)** (IMA) Performance Based Funding Metric (PBFM), involving work-integrated learning (WIL) opportunities, while preparing for future PBFMs.
 - a. IMAs are agreements between post-secondary institutions (PSIs) and GoA that require PSIs to meet specific goals GoA sets out, for GoA to give them percentages of their funding. E.g. UAlberta has to offer a certain number of WIL opportunities to receive part of their funding for the fiscal year. If we don't, we do not get that portion of funding.
4. **How to best promote commercialization:** involves connecting university research with industries and municipal, provincial or federal governments to produce goods or services so as to generate revenue back to UAlberta.
5. **Addressing racial injustice at UAlberta**, which could include thoughts about how to improve UAlberta's strategic plan, looking at what other PSIs are doing or responding to calls to action by students and staff in the UAlberta community, like the Black Students Collective's June 15th [call to action](#).
6. **Taking bold action on Climate Change:** UAlberta's Vice-President Facilities and Operations (VPFO) portfolio already has a [robust campus energy tracking system](#) and lots of cool projects on the go. Of course, the Board could consider how to push harder and be bolder community leaders in this area!
7. **Addressing ongoing Indigenous colonization:** UAlberta already has a Vice-President Indigenous Programming and Research portfolio, but the Board could consider how to better legislate inclusivity in its governance membership, share governance power with Indigenous peoples involved with UAlberta or consider what steps to decolonizing this institution, albeit within a colonially organized country, could be.



Undergraduate Board of
Governors Representative

DAVE KONRAD



About Me

BOG REP

Degree: Human Dimensions of Environmental Management

Long term: diplomat for Canada

For fun: fitness, videogames and photography

WHO

Students, senior administration, academic and non-academic staff and external members.

WHAT

Highest level decision making body: strategic thinking (e.g. Academic Restructuring model).

WHY

Have external voices. Broad perspective, not the details. Long term thinking.

The Board

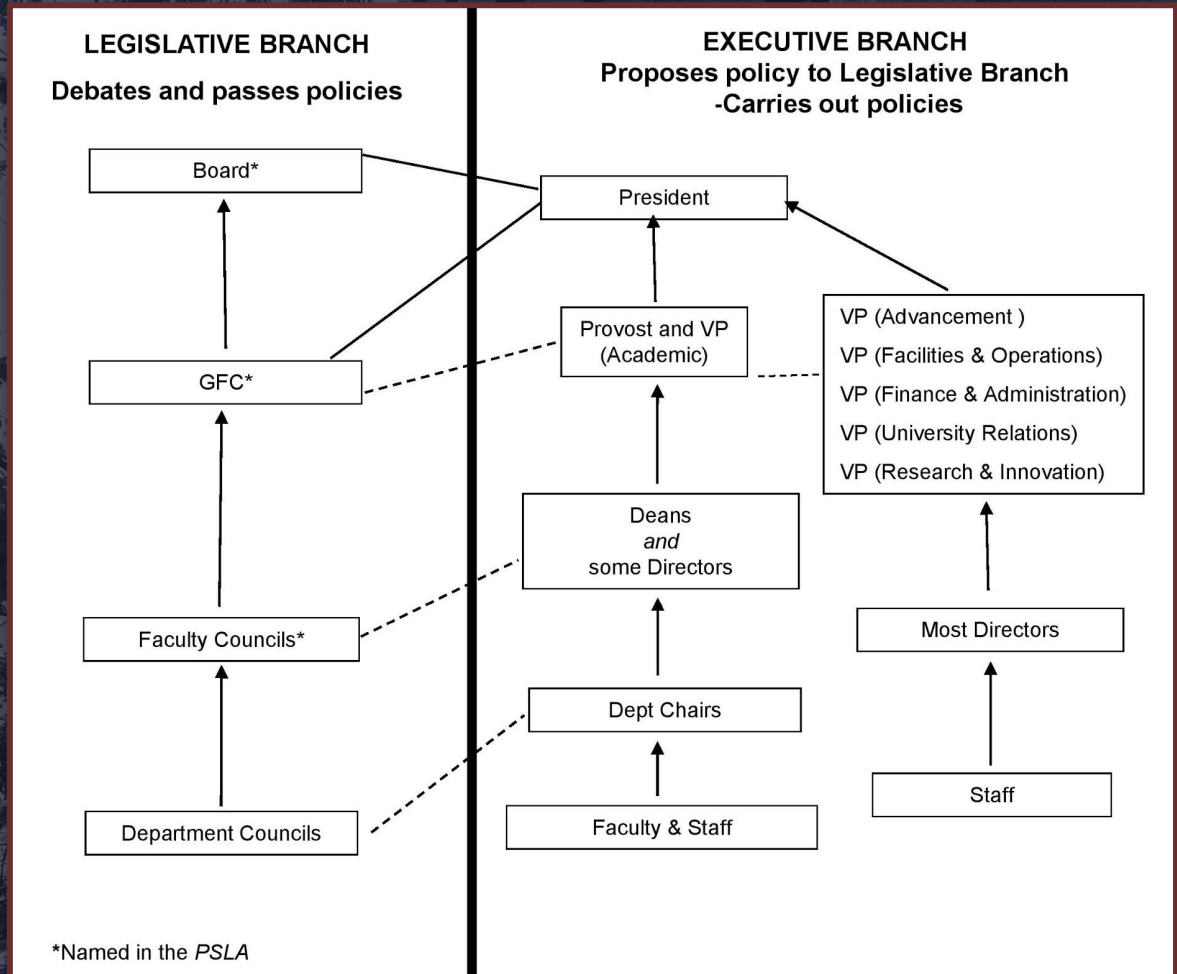
ABOUT

KEY FOCUS

Board has final say and interacts with many other groups, which has to be done well and often.

Structure

ABOUT



REPRESENT STUDENTS

Done through regular meetings and consultation forms

FULFILL CAMPAIGN PROMISES

Voted in during Students' Union elections: platform through my Instagram link.

CONSIDER THE INSTITUTION'S WELLBEING

Think about what the best long and short term decisions are for all stakeholders.

My Role
ABOUT

DIVERSE REPRESENTATION

Ensuring the Board Governance Committee knows diverse recruitment is critical to equity in governance and representation of the Edmonton's diversity.

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS STRATEGY

Making sure accessibility and building funding are part of the developing strategy.

BOARD STRATEGIC RETREAT PLANNING

Signalling key priorities for the retreat in September, including meaningfully responding to racial injustices at UAlberta.

Projects
ONGOING

Contact

ONGOING

CONSULTATION FORMS

Broad questions based on content from Board and committee meetings sent before the meetings to collect your feedback.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

To consider items at the Board that need a well-discussed student perspective.

INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS

Reaching out to get to know you and talk about pressing issues.

BIWEEKLY REPORTS

Reports sent to Students' Council, Faculty Associations and Student Representative Associations.

INSTAGRAM POSTS

Distributed weekly, including monthly platform progress updates.

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Questions

BOG REP

**Tuesday, April 21, 2020
6:00PM
Zoom**

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.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2021-00)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00PM

2020-00/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2020-00/1a Election of Council Speaker

PHILIP MIHESO is declared elected Council Speaker via secret ballot.

2020-00/2 PRESENTATIONS

2020-00/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2020-00/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

2020-00/5 OPEN FORUM

2020-00/6 QUESTION PERIOD

2020-00/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2020-00/7a **Nomination to Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee (ARRC) (3)**

DHILLON nominated DHILLON: accepted.
BARAZESH nominated BARAZESH: accepted.
KORFETH nominated KORFETH: accepted.
AVILIA nominated AVILIA: accepted.
BEASLEY nominated BEASLEY: accepted.
BEASLEY nominated BEAULIEU-MERCREDI: declined.
DEGRANO nominated YABUT: accepted.

DHILLON, BEASLEY, YABUT are declared appointed as permanent members of ARRC for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7b **Nomination to Audit Committee (7)**

DHILLON nominated DHILLON: accepted.
BATYCKI nominated BATYCKI: accepted.
VILLOSO nominated VILLOSO: accepted.
DIXON nominated BARAZESH: declined.
MORRIS nominated MORRIS: accepted.
MORRIS nominated AAMER: accepted.
DHILLON nominated BRANDWEIN: declined.
VILLOSO nominated YEOLA: declined.
BATYCKI nominated GILL: declined.
VILLOSO nominated MOTOSKA: declined.
BATYCKI nominated RAHMAN: declined.
DHILLON nominated GARDNER: declined.
VILLOSO nominated AVILA: declined.
YABUT nominated DEPRATO: declined.
YEOLA nominated DEGRANO: accepted.
DIXON nominated CHOPRA: declined.
VILLOSO nominated YABUT: declined.
DHILLON nominated KALRA: declined.
VILLOSO nominated BEASLEY: declined.
BATYCKI nominated THAKUR: declined.
KIMANI nominated LALA: declined.
DHILLON nominated ZAFAR: declined.
DIXON nominated ORVOLD: accepted.
BATYCKI nominated KONRAD: declined.
VILLOSO nominated BEAU-MECREDI: declined.

DHILLON, BATYCKI, VILLOSO, MORRIS, AAMER, DEGRANO, ORVOLD are declared appointed to Audit Committee for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7c **Nomination to Bylaw Committee (7)**

BARAZESH nominated BARAZESH: accepted.
MONTEIRO nominated MONTEIRO: accepted.
DEGRANO nominated DEGRANO: accepted.
BEASLEY nominated BEASLEY: accepted.
TEO nominated TEO: accepted.
LEY nominated KIMANI: accepted.
DHILLON nominated DEPRATO: declined.
FOTANG nominated BRANDWEIN: accepted.
DEGRANO nominated LALA: declined.
DHILLON nominated GILL: declined.

BARAZESH, MONTEIRO, DEGRANO, BEASLEY, TEO, KIMANI, BRANDWEIN are declared appointed to Bylaw Committee for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7d **Nomination to Council Administration Committee (CAC) (5)**

VILLOSO nominated VILLOSO: accepted.
ADEKAR nominated ADEKAR: accepted.
DEGRANO nominated DEGRANO: accepted.
BEASLEY nominated BEASLEY: accepted.
BEASLEY nominated KONRAD declined.
MORRIS nominated MORRIS: accepted.
DHILLON nominated ZAFAR declined.
DHILLON nominated AVILA: accepted.
KIMANI nominated BARAZESH: declined.

VILLOSO, DEGRANO, BEASLEY, MORRIS, AVILA are declared appointed as permanent members of CAC for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7e **Nomination to Finance Committee (7)**

GARDNER nominated GARDNER: accepted.
KIMANI nominated BARAZESH: declined.
KONRAD nominated AAMER: declined.
MONTERIO nominated VILLOSO: accepted.
FOTANG nominated ORVOLD: accepted.
BRANDWEIN nominated DEPRATO: declined.
DHILLON nominated LALA: accepted.
VILLOSO nominated YEOLA: accepted.
KIMANI nominated DHILLON: accepted.
KIMANI nominated MOTOSKA: declined.
LALA nominated VISWESWARAN: declined.
KIMANI nominated BATYCKI: accepted.
DHILLON nominated BRANDWEIN: declined.

GARDNER, ORVOLD, VILLOSO, LALA, DHILLON, BATYCKI, YEOLA are declared appointed to Finance Committee for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7f **Nomination to Nominating Committee (NomCom) (5)**

VILLOSO nominated VILLOSO: accepted.
DEGRANO nominated DEGRANO: accepted.
FOTANG nominated SIVAKUMARAN: accepted.
YABUT nominated BRANDWEIN: accepted.
BRANDWEIN nominated YABUT: accepted.
VILLOSO nominated MOTOSKA: declined.

VILLOSO, SIVAKUMARAN, DEGRANO, BRANDWEIN, YABUT are declared appointed to NomCom Committee for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7g **Nomination to Policy Committee (6)**

YEOLA nominated YEOLA: accepted.
AAMER nominated AAMER: accepted.

ORVOLD nominated ORVOLD: accepted.
BARAZESH nominated BARAZESH: accepted.
MOTOSKA nominated MOTOSKA: accepted.
DHILLON nominated DHILLON: accepted.
BRANDWEIN nominated BRANDWEIN: accepted.
BEASLEY nominated BEASLEY: accepted.
BEASLEY nominated VISWESWARAN: accepted.

MOTOSKA, DHILLON, YEOLA, BEASLEY, AAMER, VISWESWARAN are declared appointed to Policy Committee for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7h **Nomination to the Student Group Committee (2)**

AAMER nominated AAMER: accepted.
MORRIS nominated MORRIS: accepted.
BRANDWEIN nominated BRANDWEIN: accepted.
BEASLEY nominated BEASLEY: accepted.
FOTANG nominated SIVAKUMARAN: accepted.

BEASLEY, SIVAKUMARAN are declared appointed to Student Group Committee for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7i **Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee (3)**

YEOLA nominated YEOLA: accepted.
BATYCKI nominated BATYCKI: accepted.
VILLOSO nominated VILLOSO: accepted.

YEOLA, BATYCKI, VILLOSO are declared appointed to Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/7j **Nomination to the Translation Committee (5)**

VISWESWARAN nominated TEO: accepted.
VISWESWARAN nominated BEASLEY: declined.
VISWESWARAN nominated LEY: accepted.

TEO, LEY are declared appointed to Translation Committee for the 2021 Council Session.

2020-00/8 GENERAL ORDERS

BEASLEY/DEGRANO MOVED to approve the Students' Council 2020-21 Meeting Schedule.
See SC-2020.00-02.

CARRIED

2020-00/9 INFORMATION ITEMS

2020-00/9a Students' Council Committee Information.

See SC-2020-00.01.

2020-00/9b Students' Council 2019-20, Meeting Schedule.
See SC-2020-00.02.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:12PM