

**Tuesday, June 1, 2021  
6:00PM  
Zoom**

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**ORDER PAPER (SC-2021-03)**

2021-03/1 **SPEAKERS BUSINESS**

2021-03/1a Announcements - The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on **Tuesday, June 15 2021 at 6:00PM** via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012

2021-03/2 **CONSENT AGENDA**

2021-03/2a Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-02) Tuesday, May 18, 2021

See SC-2021-03.01

2021-03/3 **PRESENTATIONS**

2021-03/3a **LEY MOVESTO** allow the Chief Returning Officer to present

See SC-2021-03.08 & 10

2021-03/4 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

2021-03/5 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT**

2021-03/6 **OPEN FORUM**

2021-03/7 **QUESTION PERIOD**

2021-03/8 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

- 2021-03/9      GENERAL ORDERS
- 2021-03/9a    **LEY MOVES TO** go in camera  
See SC-2021-03.09
- 2021-03/10    INFORMATION ITEMS
- 2021-03/10a   Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-02) Tuesday, May 18, 2021  
See SC-2021-03.01
- 2021-03/10b   Executive Committee Reports  
See SC-2021-03.02 - 06
- 2021-03/10c   BoG Rep Report  
See SC-2021-03.07
- 2021-03/10d   Council Submissions  
See SC-2021-03.08 & 09
- 2021-03/10e   CRO Presentation Slides  
See SC-2021-03.10
- 2021-03/10f   Students' Council - Attendance  
See SC-2021-03.11

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VOTES & PROCEEDINGS (SC-2021-02)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00PM

- 2021-02/1      SPEAKERS BUSINESS
- 2021-02/1a      Announcements - The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on **Tuesday, June 1 2021 at 6:00PM** via Zoom.
- Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85666007012>
- Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012
- 2021-02/2      CONSENT AGENDA
- 2021-02/2a      Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-01) Tuesday, May 4, 2021  
See SC-2021-02.01
- 2021-02/3      PRESENTATIONS
- 2021-02/3a      **LEY/DEGRANO MOVED** to allow a presentation on the Alberta 2030 Post-Secondary Review Recommendations.  
See SC-2021-02.10&12  
CARRIED

2021-02/4

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Talia DIXON, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.  
Emily KIMANI, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report.  
Christian FOTANG, Vice President (External) - Report.  
Abner MONTEIRO, Vice President (Academic) - Report.  
Rowan LEY, President - Report.

2021-02/5

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

DHILLON, Audit Committee - Report  
DEGRANO, Bylaw Committee - Report  
VILLOSO, Council Administration Committee - Report  
LEY, Executive Committee - Report  
KIMANI, Finance Committee - Report  
MONTEIRO, Nominating Committee - Report  
MOTOSKA, Policy Committee - Report  
LEY, Student Group Committee - Report  
KONRAD, Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative - Report

2021-02/6

OPEN FORUM

2021-02/7

QUESTION PERIOD

VILLOSO: Inquired as to whether Kimani has plans to meet with Augustana student representatives soon.

KIMANI: Responded in the affirmative.

MORRIS: Inquired as to whether the Executive is looking to select for marginalised groups when reviewing applications to the EDI Task Force.

DIXON: Responded in the affirmative. Noted that the application is looking for BIPOC, queer, Indigenous, international, and parenting students.

VILLOSO: Inquired as to how the Period Poverty project is being expanded into other campuses and whether Augustana and Saint-Jean leaders are being included in planning the expansion.

DIXON: Responded in the affirmative. Noted that she is currently in the process of creating 1, 3, and 5 year plan for rolling out the project in an economical and sustainable manner.

BATYCKI: Inquired as to the status of the release of the zero cost course textbook signifiers on Beartracks.

MONTERIO: Responded that the zero-course textbook initiative requires professors

to opt-in. Clarified that he has not yet met with the Registrar to discuss the rollout and uptake of the program.

YABUT: Expressed concern that the Executive Committee assumed responsibility for selecting students for the Equity, Inclusivity, and Diversity Task Force. Suggested that, given that EDIT has low levels of participation and engagement last year, Nominating Committee should have responsibility for holding interviews. Invited councillors to follow @uasuu.ualberta for updates on the Asian Heritage Month Celebration.

KIMANI: Clarified that the Executive Committee has allocated one month to do interviews for members of EDIT to ensure the best candidates are selected.

2021-02/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2021-02/8a **DIXON MOVED** to appoint 3 members of Council and one member of the executive to the Sustainability Committee.  
See SC-2021-02.11

VILLOSO nominated BATYCKI: accepted.

KIMANI nominated YEOLA: accepted.

MORRIS nominated MORRIS: accepted.

BATYCKI nominated DIXON: accepted.

**BATYCKI, YEOLA, MORRIS, DIXON** (Executive) are declared appointed to the Sustainability Committee for the 2021 Session of Council.

2021-02/9 GENERAL ORDERS

2021-02/9a **LEY/DEGRANO MOVES TO** go in camera  
See SC-2021-02.08  
CARRIED

**LEY/ORVOLD MOVED** to go ex camera.  
CARRIED

**LEY/ORVOLD MOVED** to, on behalf of Council, request that Student Group Committee assess the relationship between the International Students' Association and Students' Union, and provide recommendations to Council on how it may be improved.

CARRIED

2021-02/10 INFORMATION ITEMS

2021-02/10a Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-01) Tuesday, May 4, 2021

See SC-2021-02.01

2021-02/10b Exec Committee Council Reports

See SC-2021-02.02-7

2021-02/10c Bog Rep Report

See SC-2021-02.02-8

2021-02/10d Students' Council - Attendance

See SC-2021-02.9

2021-02/10e Council Submissions

See SC-2021-02.10-11

2021-02/10f AB2030 Presentation Slides

See SC-2021-02.12

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:47PM

## 2021-22 - Council Submissions

### UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

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**Council Meeting Date**

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

**Mover**

LEY

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**Action Requested**

Information Items

### Information Items

**Abstract**

Report of the President

**Attachments**



Council Report 06\_01\_21.pdf

**Date:** 06/01/21

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** President's Report 06/01/21

Hello Council,

I hope you are all doing well and if you are in Canada, that you have either been vaccinated or have made plans to be! I was so happy to receive my first shot of Moderna, which is of course the Dolly Parton vaccine and therefore the coolest (but get whatever vaccine is available to you). While there is still a lot of uncertainty about where the next stage of the pandemic will go, and I, like many of you, am worried that we are not out of the woods yet, getting your shot is absolutely essential. You can book a vaccine in our very own Students' Union Building on the [University Health Centre Website](#). High vaccination rates in students are essential for a safe return to campus and we all need to do our part to get that number as high as possible.



### **Exceptional Tuition Increase Proposals**

In the last two weeks, the faculties proposing exceptional tuition increases have been wrapping up their consultation with students. The executive believes that the vast majority of these consultations have been inadequate and do not meet the basic requirements of the Tuition and Fees Regulation, [Student Participation and Process Handbook](#), and best practices for procedural fairness. I have reached out to the Provost's Office to invite the University to present to Council on the exceptional increases, which has happened at the University of Calgary, but unfortunately I have received no reply as of writing this report. The inadequate consultation on such significant exceptional increases is unacceptable to the Students' Union and we are working on a series of actions in response. Further details will be available very soon. Once we finalize more details we will provide comprehensive information to Council, likely through a presentation at our next meeting. I want you all to know that the executive is taking this file very seriously and is putting considerable effort into our response.

### **CASA Foundations Conference**

VP Fotang and I are attending the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations' annual Foundations conference online this week. Foundations is when we meet our

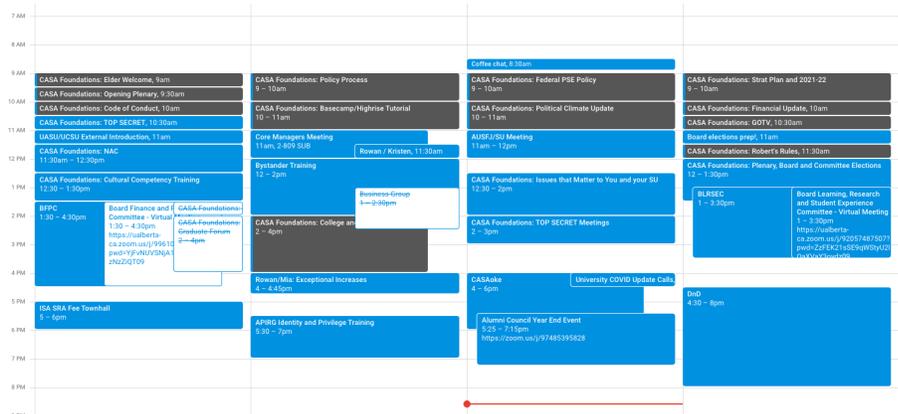
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counterparts from coast to coast, learn about federal student advocacy, and elect a new Chair and Board. VP Fotang is running to be CASA's Director of Advocacy, a critical position which oversees our campaigns. This is particularly important in a year when we will likely see a federal election.

I am also pleased to report that our CASA family has been growing. We voted to admit the University of Manitoba Students' Union as a full member, adding 31,000 students to our membership. This contributes to stronger student advocacy by CASA, which is, as I never miss a chance to point out, one of the most effective advocacy groups in Ottawa. Online conferences have been a little different in-person ones, with shorter days to accommodate time differences. If you're wondering what a week at an online conference is like, here's my calendar.



### Stakeholder Meetings and Relationships

Myself and the other VPs have been working hard to establish relationships with our partners around the University. Just for some examples, by Council I will have met twice several faculty associations, including regular one-on-ones with the AUFSJ President, the University's Chief Strategy Officer, the non-Academic Staff Association, the Graduate Students' Association President, and Governor Konrad. Relationships are essential to the work we do here and fostering them is a significant part of our first few months in office.

As always, get in touch if you have any questions or want to chat!



University of Alberta Students' Union President  
**Rowan Ley**

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**Action Requested**

Information Items

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**Abstract**

VP Academic - Executive Report #3

**Attachments**



SC3\_June\_01\_2021.pdf

**Date:** 01/06/2021

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President Academic 2021/22 Report #3

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Dear Council,

I hope you are all doing well! These last couple of weeks have been busy, to say the least. Here is a brief breakdown of what I've been up to since our last council meeting:

### **NomCom Approved Job Postings for SAL Positions**

Last week on Thursday, NomCom approved several student-at-large (SAL) job position postings for the following:

- Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee (ARRC)
- Student Group Committee
- University of Alberta Senate
- Sustainability Ad Hoc Committee
- Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee
- Translation Committee

These job postings will be open until June 4th, 2021, and they can also be found [HERE](#) if you want more info on each position. I ask that all of you please share this information with your friends and other groups on campus that you are a part of so that they know about these opportunities!

### **Met with the Provost, Vice Provost Learning Initiatives, and Vice Provost Programs**

I met with Provost, Steve Dew, and Vice Provosts, John Nychka and Tammy Hopper, this week where I got to start some great discussions about my goals for the year. We discussed the implementation of some sort of Credit/Non-Credit Grading System to encourage interdisciplinarity on campus and ways to increase awareness of the Charter of Student Rights and Responsibilities so that students know the rights they have and responsibility they hold when attending the U of A.

### **Policy Committee Started Renewing Policy**

Policy Committee has started to renew policies that are set to expire in April 2022. I'm currently working on the Experiential Learning Policy with Councillors Dhillon, Beasley, and Amer and am excited to see what new ideas we can bring to the policy!

## **Open Education Alberta Advocacy Group**

I had my first meeting with the Open Education Advocacy Group where I met many of my student counterparts and other individuals who are very involved in open education across other post-secondary institutions in Alberta. It was great to hear what other institutions are up to and what areas we as an institution need to advance.

## **Met with Student Representative Associations (SRAs)**

I've gotten the chance now to meet with several SRAs to have introductory meetings, talk about shared and individual goals, and the ways to maintain SU/SRA relationships and communication as we embark on this next academic year. This week I met with the following:

- Medical Students' Association, President
- Law Students' Association, President
- Business Students' Association, President
- Alberta Pharmacy Students' Association, President
- Engineering Students' Society, President
- International Students' Association, VP Academic

I'm looking forward to working with our student leaders and strengthening our relationship going forward. I'll also note that some of these meetings will be between Friday and Students' Council.

## **Student Evaluation of Teaching and Learning Task Force**

Last year the Vice Provost of Learning Initiatives, John Nychka, struck a task force to look at the student evaluation of teaching and learning. Much of the work of this task force looked at the USRIs and improving their functionality and reporting system for students and faculty. I was privileged to sit on this task force alongside David Draper (past SU VPA), and that work has now carried over into this term. We wrapped up last week when the task force completed our draft report/recommendations which will be coming to GFC in the fall. I have fought hard to ensure students continue to have a strong avenue to shape their learning in the classroom and can see their feedback acknowledged and hopefully implemented in the course they are taking.

## **Action Items**

- I am meeting with the Office of the Registrar today (Friday) to get an update on the Zero Textbook Cost Signifier Program that Councillor Batycki inquired about at the last meeting. I should have an update for Council on Tuesday.

## **The Grand Finale**

Now for the moment you have all been waiting for... I came across this picture the other day of Smarty, my assistant who was sleeping on the job and apparently thought that was ok. You know those naps where you wake up and have no idea what planet you're on or what is happening? It was pretty clear that this particular one JUST HIT DIFFERENT...



I hope you found this report interesting and informative! As always, if you ever want to chat please don't hesitate to reach out.

Cheers,

**Abner Monteiro**  
Vice President Academic  
University of Alberta Students' Union

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

**Council Meeting Date**

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**Action Requested**

Information Items

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**Abstract**

Council Report 3

**Attachments**

Council Report 21\_06\_1 (1).pdf

**Date:** 2021/06/1

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President External 2021/22 Report #3

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Dear Council,

I hope you have all been taking good care of yourselves, staying safe and enjoying your summer. A significant portion of my week was spent at the Canadian Alliance of Students Association (CASA) Foundation Conference.

### **CASA Foundations**

President Ley and I participated in the CASA Foundations conference all of last week. This four day event increased my knowledge of the history, work and structure of CASA. Additionally this conference, although virtual, still enabled me to: connect with our 23 other members SU/SA from across the nation; improved my cultural competency and bystander intervention skills via beneficial training sessions; and increased my knowledge of CASA's policy and advocacy process. It was also important to hear from other SU/SAs about the issues they currently face and their priorities for the year. We also welcomed the University of Manitoba Students' Union (UMSU) as our newest member. We are excited about the expansion of more members to our Federal family and see this as a recognition of the work and advocacy CASA delivers. .

On the last day of this conference, May 28th, we shall elect the new Chair of CASA as well as the new members of the Board of Directors. I will have more updates for you at our council meeting this coming Tuesday!

### **Alberta's Open For Summer Plan**

The Premier announced a couple days ago on the Province's [three stage plan](#) that will have the province's major health restrictions lifted come early July. Post Secondary is expected to resume in person come Mid-June. I encourage you all to continue to stay safe and get your vaccines if you haven't done so already!

## Notable meetings

### **AUFSJ VPX Counterpart**

I met with AUFSJ VP External Chiara Concini to discuss ways the UASU can assist AUFSJ in the campaign to save Campus Saint-Jean. We discussed the larger role the UASU can play in providing messages of support, increasing our social media activity on the issue, and assisting AUFSJ in building more networks across the country through avenues like CASA and the UEQ. I will continue to keep the council in the loop as this situation develops.

### **ISA VPX Counterpart**

I also met with ISA VP External Gurbani Baweja. This was mostly an introductory meeting to discuss ways we can improve International Student External Advocacy. We further discussed potential points of collaboration between the both of us such as how we can elevate International student issues at CASA via ways of creating a working group/committee or alternatively more Federal advocacy campaigns.

Overall this was very busy, lots of learning, lots of reading and lots of meetings. As we continue to adjust to our roles, I appreciate all the patience and outreach I have received from council members. I have already had the chance to meet many of you at GovCamp and in Committee meetings. I am inspired by the passion and commitment that I am witnessing. I look forward to engaging with even more of you. Please always feel free to reach out to me whenever you can!

Congratulations on making it this far! The first five people to email me with a meme shall receive a gift! (No not you Abner)

Yours Externally,



University of Alberta Students' Union Vice President External  
**Christian Fotang**

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**Abstract**

N/A

**Attachments**



Council Report 3 May 27, 2021 (4).pdf

**Date:** 01/06/2021

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President Operations & Finance 2021/22 Report #3

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Dear Council,

Hello again! Happy to be seeing everyone. I cannot believe we are at the end of May; time is passing by quickly. I hope you have all taken some time to go outside, enjoy the sun, and soak in some Vitamin D. I, for one, have been on many, many walks while I listen to the Michelle Obama Podcast. Does anyone have any podcast recommendations??

These past two weeks have been busy as we move further along into our roles. I took over the Executive Instagram last week, which was exciting! The purpose of these takeovers is to ensure that we are communicating and being transparent with students. As well as giving a “behind the scenes” look into being an Executive. Each Executive will have a chance to take over the Instagram page and take you along their day; stay tuned.

I have now met with all the core managers and have begun to draft out and plan some of my projects for this year, like Aboriginal Awareness Week, recognizing Black History Month at the UASU, and implementing the bulk foods section in SUBmart. Things are still relatively preliminary but I will keep you updated as we move through the year.

### **Business and Operations Update**

SUB will remain open during the remaining spring and summer months with its current operating hours. The Daily Grind and SUBmart will operate as per usual and are ready to serve our campus community. SUBprint is operating only through pick-up orders at the moment. Deweys, unfortunately, will remain closed during the spring and summer months but will open back up in the Fall. RATT will also remain closed until the Fall, where it will then be available as a space that student groups can book for events. Although we are in the early stages, and with the recent announcement from the government, we are in the process of ramping up our operations to ensure that we are ready when students return to campus. This will be especially important as we approach August and the beginning of September.

### **UPass Update**

Along with other student leaders, I have a seat on the UPass Working Committee and the UPass Administration Committee. As you know, the UPass successfully passed at the referendum this past

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March, and so, it was renewed. After hard advocacy from last year's Executive, the UPass will cost University of Alberta undergraduate students \$180 per semester for the years 2021-2025. The negotiated agreement will see no fee increase for the entire 4-year contract. Now, we are in the process of finalizing and signing the agreement. We are also transitioning over to SmartFare. Although still in the beginning stages, we have started to have conversations regarding SmartFare and SmartCard distribution. I hope to have further updates on SmartFare soon.

## **StudentCare Stakeholder Conference**

VP Dixon and I attended the StudentCare Stakeholder Conference this week. We were asked to give a Land Acknowledgement at the beginning of the conference. The conference is held to bring together student leaders from across the country to learn from industry experts, provide feedback on Studentcare's innovations, and contribute to the development of student healthcare. We attended a series of incredible talks and presentations that focused on the health and wellness of students. It was also a great opportunity to meet and network with other student leaders.

## **Sustainability Projects**

### **Menstrual Hygiene Day**

The Period Poverty initiative has been a major priority for VP Dixon and I. We have continued to work out our plan for the year. Specifically, we have focused on bringing awareness and providing education to this initiative by celebrating Menstrual Hygiene Day on May 28th! You may have seen our post about Menstrual Hygiene Day on the UASU Instagram page. VP Dixon and I were interviewed by CBC this week about our plans to expand the Period Poverty Initiative and the ways in which, as a campus, we can move towards menstrual equity. The interview aired Friday morning!

### **SCF Green Fund**

We have recently hired a Funding and Awards specialist who I have been closely working with to oversee the SCF Green Fund distribution. This way, we can ensure that we have a consistent process for the allocation and distribution of the fund moving forward.

## **Noteworthy Meetings**

### **GFC Facilities Development Committee**

This committee reviews and recommends general space and functional programs, the design and use of facilities, and policies related to facilities and planning. In our last meeting, we discussed the DentPharm project and approved the building programming.

### **World University Services Canada (WUSC)**

I had a meeting with WUSC last week to discuss the Refugee Board and their plans for the year. WUSC is a dedicated fee unit, which will be going to referendum this year, through which an international student is sponsored through financial aid to study at Campus Saint Jean or at North Campus.

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## **Gateway Student Journalism Society (GSJS) Board**

I attended my first GSJS meeting this week. We appointed members to various committees and discussed the committee's plans for the year.

Lastly, I would like to remind you all that EDIT applications are still [live](#). I encourage you all to apply and spread the word. Applications close June 15th.

As always, if you have any questions, or you just want to chat, don't hesitate to reach out. We are here to support you in any way we can.

All the best,



Emily

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**Abstract**

Report of the VP Student Life

**Attachments**



Copy of Council Report 3 June 1, 2021.docx

**Date:** 1/06/2021

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President Student Life 2021/22 Report #3

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Hi Council,

Happy Gemini season! The past two weeks have been very busy but I feel like I'm settling into the role. Here are some of the more exciting things that I have been working on:

#### The Return to Campus

I sit on two committees that have spoken at length about the return to campus. The RTC Safety and Logistics Committee for Fall 2021 and the Fall Readiness Committee for Student Services and Experience Working Group. Both of these committees are pretty high level and are dealing with a myriad of issues. Right now it looks like there will be a mix of in-person and online events and services to accommodate for the fact that some students might not be back on campus. Services will also open up in early to mid-august. We are also trying to figure out how students can have a space to attend meetings, class, and jobs that are still online. I want these committees to address students concerns in advance, so if you have any, please let me know!

#### The Ring House Coalition

The Ring House Coalition is a group of academics, architects, heritage organizations and interested citizens working to protect the historic University of Alberta Ring Houses. We meet every week; it's very rewarding to learn about these houses and work with the collective to protect these buildings. You can (dare I say should) sign their petition here <https://bit.ly/3yTECSS>.

#### Residence

Things are ramping up in terms of residence. We've had our first JROC and RAC committee meetings. We discussed the residence program initiatives that are being planned at all campuses, we got an update on occupancy, learned more about the isolation accommodation program and much more. I am hoping to have the first meeting of CORA next week. I also met with Alison Exner to talk about the Residence Community Standards policy. Finally, I am working with the AUFSJ president to tackle CSJ specific concerns.

#### Transit and the UPass

As a minor update, VP Kimani and I have been working with our staff to sort out UPASS distribution. We also had a meeting with Free Transit Edmonton to learn more about their work and how they see it impacting students.

#### The Pronoun Campaign

I have been working with the Landing and marketing to create the pronoun campaign as outlined in my platform. This project will educate students, staff, and faculty about what pronouns are, how to use them, and the importance of not assuming an individual's pronouns. I hope that this campaign will start in the fall and help make campus a safer space for all students.

### Sexual Violence

I have met with the Sexual Assault Center, relevant uni admin/staff and our marketing staff to create more supports for survivors via social media. I have learned a lot about the issues with sexual violence prevention and response on this campus. Hopefully, we will be doing a campaign in November that focuses on connecting survivors with supports.

### Period Equity

VP Kimani and I have been working VERY hard on this initiative. Part of that work has been making an awareness campaign for this initiative which included celebrating Menstrual Hygiene Day on Friday (the 28th) we put out some info on our social media about this and CBC Edmonton interviewed this and us. We have started creating business plans for expanding this project into other buildings, started exploring how we can provide free and subsidized products and planning out the research project.

### Campus Security

Policing and campus security continues to be a priority. I am working to make more bystander intervention training available to students, Safe Walk will be back in the fall, and Policy committee has officially reformed the policing policy group.

### The Student Care Conference

On Thursday, VP Kimani and I attended the Student Care Conference. It was very informative, and we learned a lot about new services they could provide to students. We also got to give the land acknowledgement at the start of the conference!

### Opportunities for you!

1. The EDI committee application is still open, but applications close on June 15th. Please apply!
2. If you have an event, holiday, celebration etc, that you would like the UASU to celebrate, please message me or email me by the end of tomorrow with what that event, holiday, and or celebration is and some info about how you would like us to celebrate it.

### Self Care Tip

Today my self-care tip is to TAKE A BREAK. As student leaders, most of us (myself included) fall into "busy culture", which is the glorification of being busy, constantly grinding, and always working. I have a lot to say about "busy culture", but essentially, it's super toxic. According to the Harvard Business Review, "studies have shown that busy culture destroys productivity and pulls us away from both our families and deeper relationships with our coworkers". Remember, you're life is your own, and you get to shape it. Make times for long breaks. You don't need to feel bad about taking them!

Anyways! This weekend, I am going camping at Spray Lakes Campground its in K country just behind Canmore, so I am going to be doing lots of hiking, visiting my parents, and seeing my best friend. I don't have a photo from my trip yet, so here's a pic of Spray Lakes from google!



Links about busy culture

How to Defeat Busy Culture: <https://hbr.org/2020/09/how-to-defeat-busy-culture#:~:text=Like%20all%20work%20cultures%2C%20busy,to%20contribute%20and%20move%20up.>

'Ugh, I'm So Busy': A Status Symbol for Our Time

<https://www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2017/03/busyness-status-symbol/518178/>

Best,

*Talia Dixon*

**Talia Dixon**

University of Alberta Students' Union Vice President Student Life

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**Talia Dixon, Vice President Student Life**

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Thursday, May 27, 2021

## 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, June 1, 2021

**Mover**

Konrad

**Email**

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**Action Requested**

Information Items

### Information Items

**Abstract**

Report 3 - Diversifying Bylaws, Recruitments and Friendships!

**Attachments**



06.01.21 BoG Rep Report.pdf

**Date:** 06.01.21

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** BoG Rep 2021/2022 Report 3 - **Diversifying Bylaws, Recruitments and Friendships!**

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Dear Council,

### **Standard Meetings**

- 1. Board of Governors (BoG):** for those who heard my report at last Council meeting, this will be repeated content, but some recipients of this form are not part of Students' Council. At the last meeting our new Board bylaws were adjusted to include a diversity statement in the recruitment section, which I raised the need for. We also discussed how to incentivize anti-vaxxers to get vaccinated if they will be on campus. Preliminary ideas were considered about how UAlberta can utilize online programming to attract more students post-COVID. We also talked about UAlberta for Tomorrow and UAlberta's government relations strategy.
- 2. Board Governance Committee (BGC):** we took the Board's recommendations from the meeting above, regarding the bylaws, and discussed a close-to-final version of them. We also touched on committee efficiency as a broad topic across all Board committees. Notably, we had a phenomenal presentation on EDI in recruitment by the Senior Equity and Human Rights Advisor from the Provost's Office, after which I asked about what striking a good long term demographic parity goal could look like and what first steps could be for our committee if we were interested in reviewing our definition of competency. The presentation was to refresh members on EDI priorities as we looked at an initial draft of a recruitment framework for Board committees. This framework is important because recruitment has been too informal up to this point. We also discussed internal Board performance, our strategic retreat and our relationship with General Faculties Council.

### **Introductions**

- 1. Councillor Meetings:** I've really enjoyed meeting with Councillors, new and old, to hear about their backgrounds and aspirations in Council! I look forward to more.
- 2. Student Groups:** I got to sit down with AUFSJ and introduce my role. It sounds like I will be working predominantly with their VPX. I am presenting to the Engineering Students' Society on May 31st.

### **Consultation**

- 1. Aboriginal Students' Council:** with a long list of items to discuss, we're not finished yet, but we did have the opportunity to chat about campus security concerns, college model metrics, UAlberta's government relations strategy and the Board retreat!

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Thanks for reading!



University of Alberta Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative  
**Dave Konrad**

## 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, June 1, 2021

**Mover** LEY

**Email** rowan.ley@su.ualberta.ca

**Action Requested** Presentation

### Presentation

**Motion** LEY moves to allow the Chief Returning Officer to present.

### Abstract

A presentation by Lucas Marques, the Chief Returning Officer, on the 2021-22 elections process, the role of the Chief Returning Officer, and possible amendments to election bylaws.

### Attachments



Council\_Elections Office 2021-2022.pdf

## 2021-22 - Council Submissions

### UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

**Council Meeting Date** Tuesday, June 1, 2021

**Mover** LEY

**Email** rowan/ley@su.ualberta.ca

**Action Requested** Discussion

### Discussion

**Motion** LEY moves to go in camera

### Abstract

Issues that require in-camera discussion.



# **Elections Office**

## **2021-2022**





## Our Role

- Independent officers of Council, as per Bylaws 2100-2500, 100 and 8100
- Ratified by the previous year Student's Council
- Directly Report to the Chairperson of CAC
- Term: May 1st 2021 to April 30th 2022
- All communications between the Elections office and Councilors, Executives and Candidates are strictly confidential
- To organize Fair, Equitable and Unbiased Elections
- To run Referenda/Plebiscites as per UASU bylaws
- To hire DRO's and train Faculty/Department CRO's
- Assist 3rd party organizations that have any connection with the SU.

Engagement

Equitability

Efficiency





## Next Steps

May-August: Finalize Marketing and logistics for upcoming elections

August - October: By-election\*\*

December - March: Hire DRO's and Executive, GFC and SU Council Elections

April: Present Final Report to Council

- Created a list of suggestions regarding all essential bylaw changes for Council.\*\*
- Encourage external groups in running their elections with us (FAs, DAs, SRAs, etc)
- Consultation with Council and External Groups
- UofA Student Leaders of Tomorrow

*More Information regarding DRO hirings & Elections will be available in the upcoming Months.*





# Questions/Suggestions ?

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*Office hours will be held during Election Season*



Hello SU Councilors,

My name is Lucas and I am the new Chief Returning Officer (CRO) for the 2021-2022 year. I look forward to working with all of you and I will be happy to answer any questions you might have. In the following pages, I have made a list of suggestions to the current bylaws that affect the elections department at the SU and its respective members. As I progress in my role, I hope to expand this list and offer my suggestions on other Bylaws regarding Elections, Plebiscites and Referendums.

If you have any concerns regarding the suggestions or why they are relevant at all, please feel free to reach out to me at [cro@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:cro@su.ualberta.ca) and we can schedule a meeting to further discuss them.

Kind Regards,

Lucas Marques  
UASU Chief Returning Officer

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*Suggestion 1: A review of bylaw 6100 regarding the amendment of a plebiscite question that renews a DFU after it has already been sent and approved.*

- Bylaw 6100 has no information regarding the amendment of plebiscite/referendum questions once they have been submitted and approved.
- The DIE board recommended January 2021 a thorough review and simplification of bylaws 1500 and 6100, having in mind the role that bylaw 2500 plays in setting the rules and protecting the election process as a whole.

Suggestion: Allow for Plebiscite questions to be amended after they have been approved, as long as they are reviewed 30 Days prior to the General Election. After this deadline, amendments can only be made if and only if the issue is a result of a failure from the Bylaw Committee to create a plebiscite question that fulfills the original proposal.

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*Suggestion 2: Resolve the issue of Candidates being able to endorse each other related to the direct contradiction with Bylaw 2200, Section 24(1) and Bylaw 2300, Section 22(1).*

- Important to highlight that in this decision, the DIE board only used bylaw 2300 which regulates the legislation to Council and GFC Elections.
- Bylaw 2200 regulates Executive elections legislation.

Suggestion: Council must discuss if candidates in either elections are allowed to not only endorse each other but also share resources such as having the same person in an instagram video for instance. And there can be two possible outcomes:

1. Council agrees that candidates are allowed to endorse each other and share resources, therefore bylaws 2200 and 2300 must make sure that it reflects such purpose. It must make sure that resources such as pictures and videos of the same people that support each different candidate are not considered collusion or any other form of shared resource. **Sections 21 and 22 of bylaw 2300 must make that clear.**
2. Council agrees that candidates are not allowed to endorse each other and share resources such as videos and pictures of volunteers that endorse different candidates. **Sections 21 and 22 of bylaw 2300 must make that clear.**

I would also like to make a further suggestion that even though Bylaws 2200 and 2300 are regarding different types of elections (Executive and Council), they should reflect the same basic rules and understandings.

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Suggestion 3: If the number of open Council and GFC seats is equal or less than 5 open positions per Council AND if the CRO considers it necessary, the SU Council should initiate the Vacancy Petition of Bylaw 100 without having to hold a fall by-election.

- I believe that in this case, Council should benefit from having a full student composition prior to the beginning of the Fall semester as it would allow council to fulfill its duties more effectively.
- In past years, having a by-election did not necessarily mean filling out all the seats. Most times, a couple of seats would still be vacant after the by-election.

Suggestion: Amend bylaw 2400 to include a clause that states that council can approve the appointment of members to assume vacant seats, given that there are 5 or less seats available and that the CRO considers it necessary to, without the need of having a Fall by-election.

Councillor Attendance 2020-21		Spring/Summer										Spring/Summer Totals	Fall										Fall Total	Winter							
37	2021-00	2021-01	2021-02	2021-03	2021-04	2021-05	2021-06	2021-07	2021-08	2021-09		2021-10	2021-11	2021-12	2021-13	2021-14	2021-15	2021-16	2021-17		2021-22	2021-18	2021-19	2021-20	2021-21	2021-22	2021-23	2021-24			
Position	Name	NDA	4/20/2021	5/4/2021	5/18/2021	6/1/2021	6/15/2021	6/29/2021	7/13/2021	7/27/2021	8/10/2021	8/24/2021		9/7/2021	9/21/2021	10/5/2021	10/19/2021	11/2/2021	11/16/2021	11/30/2021	12/14/2021	By-Election Winn	1/11/2022	1/25/2022	2/8/2022	2/22/2022	3/8/2022	3/22/2022	4/5/2022		
<b>Voting Ex-Officio Members</b>																															
President	Rowan Ley	Y	3	3	3																										
VP Academic	Abner Monteiro	Y	3	3	3																										
VP External	Christian Fotang	Y	3	3	3																										
VP Operations & Finance	Emily Kimani	Y	3	3	3																										
VP Student Life	Talia Dixon	Y	3	3	3																										
Undergraduate BoG Rep	Dave Konrad	Y	3	3	3																										
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Arts	Vaughn Michael Beaulieu-Mer	Y	3	3	2																										
Arts	Georgia Finda Korfeh	Y	3	3	3																										
Arts	Serena Manansala Yabut	Y	3	3	3																										
Arts	Rebeca Avila	Y	3	3	3																										
Arts	Maria Julia Nicole De Grano	Y	3	3	3																										
Arts	Julia Catherine Viloso	Y	3	3	3																										
Arts	Christopher Beasley	Y	3	3	3																										
Business	Ghala Amer	Y	3	3	3																										
Business	Samantha Gardner	Y	3	3	3																										
Education	Reagan Nicole Morris	Y	3	0	3																										
Education	Emily Kay Motoska	Y	3	3	3																										
Education	Avery John Teo	Y	0	3	3																										
Engineering	Siddharth Thakur	Y	3	2	2																										
Engineering	Harnoor Kaur Kalra	Y	3	3	1																										
Engineering	Andrew Batycki	Y	3	3	3																										
Engineering	Farhana Rahman	Y	3	3	0																										
Engineering	Muhammad Moosa Zafar	Y	3	2	3																										
Kinesiology, Sport and Recreation	Andy Robert Deprato	Y	3	3	3																										
Law	Navpreet Kaur Gill	Y	3	3	3																										
Medicine & Dentistry	Nikki Chopra	Y	0	0	0																										
Native Studies VACANT																															
Nursing	Hanna Filipovic	Y	0	3	0																										
Open Studies	Nolan Orvold	Y	3	3	2																										
Pharmacy	Nathan Brandwein	Y	3	3	0																										
Faculté Saint-Jean	Ahdiya Rajan Parvathi Vlave	Y	3	3	1																										
Science	Devshri Lala	Y	3	3	3																										
Science	Aadhavya Sivakumaran	Y	0	3	3																										
Science	Samar Barazesh	Y	3	3	3																										
Science	Nikita Adekar	Y	0	0	3																										
Science	Simran Kaur Dhillon	Y	3	3	3																										
Science	Akanksha Yeola	Y	3	3	3																										
Science	Mohit Kumar	Y	0	0	3																										
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Speaker			3	3	3																										
General Manager	Marc Doumochel	N/A	0	0	0																										
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Lucas Vasconcales CRO																															
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