

**January 24th, 2023  
6:00 P.M.  
Council Chambers/Zoom**

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#### ORDER PAPERS (SC-2022-20)

2022-20/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

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2022-20/2 CONSENT AGENDA

2022-20/2a Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-19) Tuesday, January 10th, 2023

See SC-2022-20.01

2022-20/2b **ARSLAN/USSEBAYEVA MOVE TO** approve Ivan Varela and Evan Sawyer to the Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee.

See SC-2022-20.02

2022-20/3 PRESENTATION

2022-20/3a **MONTEIRO/FOTANG MOVE TO** allow a presentation from the University of Alberta regarding the Student Experience Action Plan

See SC-2022-20.07

2022-20/4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2022-20/5 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

2022-20/6 OPEN FORUM

2022-20/7 QUESTION PERIOD

- 2022-20/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS
- 2022-20/8a **VILLOSO/FOGUE MOVE TO** nominate one member of Council to the Finance Committee.  
See SC-2022-20.08
- 2022-20/8b **FLAMAN / LEE MOVE TO** approve the first reading of Bill 3: Governance Reform based on the following principles.  
See SC-2022-20.09
- 2022-20/8c **FOTANG/LIU MOVE TO** nominate 2 Councillors to the Policy Committee.  
See SC-2022-20.10
- 2022-20/9 GENERAL ORDERS
- 2022-20/9a **REGMI/STEINBUSCH MOVE TO** discuss the Alberta Sovereignty Act Within a United Alberta
- 2022-20/10 CLOSED SESSIONS
- 2022-20/11 INFORMATION ITEMS
- 2022-20/11a Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-19) January 10th, 2023  
See SC-2022-20.01
- 2022-20/11b Executive Reports  
See SC-2022-20.02-06
- 2022-20/11c Students' Council Submissions  
See SC-2022-20.07-20.11
- 2022-20/11d Students' Council - Attendance  
See SC-2022-20.12



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#### VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2022-19)

2022-19/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

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**WATTAMANIUK/DHILLON MOVE TO** amend agenda item 8c to ask for two nominations rather than one.  
CARRIED

ALI has resigned from Council.

2022-19/2 CONSENT AGENDA

2022-19/2a Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-18) Tuesday, December 13th, 2022

See SC-2022-19.01

APPROVED

2022-19/2b **MONTEIRO/VILLOSO MOVETO** approve the French translations of Bylaw 100, Bylaw 100 Schedule A, and the following Political Policies: Academic Materials, Assessment and Grading, Campus Saint-Jean, Capital Projects, Climate Action, Deferred Maintenance, Experiential Learning, Food Security, Mental Health, International Students, Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees, Nonpartisan, Scholarships and Bursaries, Student Employment, Student Engagement, Student Financial Aid and Scholarships, Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and Open Education.

See SC-2022.19.02

APPROVED

2022-19/2c **CARBAJAL VELEZ / FLAMAN MOVETO** upon the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee to approve the following plebiscite and referendum questions to appear on the 2023 General Election ballot.

See SC-2022-19.03

APPROVED

2022-19/2d **DHILLON/ARSLAN MOVE TO REFER** the NUA FAMF proposal to the Bylaw committee to draft a ballot question.

See SC-2022-19.04

APPROVED

2022-19/2e **DHILLON/ARSLAN MOVE TO REFER** the ESA FAMF proposal to the Bylaw committee to draft a ballot question.

See SC-2022-19.05

APPROVED

2022-19/2f **DHILLON/ARSLAN MOVE TO REFER** the HCA FAMF proposal to the Bylaw committee to draft a ballot question.

See SC-2022-19.06

APPROVED

2022-19/3 PRESENTATION

2022-19/3a **MONTEIRO/FOTANG MOVETO** present an update on the 2022-2023 Executive Goals.

See SC-2022-19.11

CARRIED 25/00/00

2022-19/4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2022-19/5 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

DHILLON - Audit Committee - Report

FLAMAN - Bylaw Committee - Report

WATTAMANIUK - Council Administration Committee - Report

MONTEIRO - Executive Committee - Report

VILLOSO - Finance Committee - Report

STEINBUSCH - Nominating Committee - Report

FOTANG - Policy Committee - Report

DORSCHIED - Board of Governors Representative - Report

AKINNEAH - ARRC - Report

VILLOSO - SCFC - Report

BROOKS - Student Group Committee - Report

STEINBUSCH - Sustainability Committee - Report

SOTO - Translation Committee - No Report

LIU - Member Statement - Comments on HCA's FAMF proposal, voicing opposition to it.

2022-19/6 OPEN FORUM

Haruun ALI (former Councilor): How much did the UASU spend on securing a legal opinion on enforcing a non-disclosure agreement against a former Councilor?

MONTEIRO: The securing of the NDA was triggered by a request that a Councilor made — in this case, ALI — so we wanted to ensure the integrity of our process to protect confidential information that had been shared with people. The legal opinion cost \$966.

ALI (former Councilor): Has a Councilor ever disclosed to you that they experienced racial abuse at a committee level, and if so, what did you do to make sure they feel safe?

MONTEIRO: No. If any Councilor was to come to me and tell me what issue they're facing, I'm happy to have a conversation with them and figure out how we can do the best we can to address the concerns they have, and make sure they feel comfortable.

ALI (former Councilor): That is false. I came to you to disclose racial abuse that occurred to me. I disclosed it to the General Manager as well. It happened in a Finance Committee meeting back in October. I walked by you in the office and I talked to you directly; we had a five-minute conversation about it. You took no tangible steps to make Black students feel safe in that space at all, so once again, that

is false.

SPEAKER confirms the limit of three comments or questions during open forum for members (either members of Council or members of the UASU).

2022-19/7

#### QUESTION PERIOD

LIU: Asked about FOTANG's meetings with government officials and whether the Minister for Tourism is involved in the plan to turn the river valley into a national urban park.

FOTANG: Would be happy to connect LIU with the Minister's office to discuss further.

REGMI: I put out a Reddit thread and other social media efforts recently, and heard very strongly that the Campus Food Bank is having difficulty keeping up with major increases in demand. Students want to see action taken to ensure they get the food they need. Asks VILLOSO whether she will commit to including tangible support for the CFB in the next budget.

VILLOSO: Council is in charge of approving the budget; I only provide a draft. We are happy to discuss this priority during the budget creation process.

FOGUE: We have been working closely with the Campus Food Bank and University administration to focus on student food insecurity. I am starting bi-weekly meetings with the CFB, and whatever I hear from them and from student stakeholders, I'll be sure to bring back to Council.

ABBASI: Has the Speaker received any complaints about Council coming to Augustana at the end of the month?

SPEAKER: Will be checking in with governance staff to confirm operational details.

CARBAJAL VELEZ: Has the basic amount for student group funding been decided yet?

MONTEIRO: That will be a conversation for Council alongside the budget principles. One priority is ensuring that sufficient money is available for student groups to apply for events funding.

LIU: Does the UASU provide free rent for Elev, a student for-profit company that connects landlords and tenants?

MONTEIRO: In our current agreement with Elev, they don't pay any rent, but the agreement will be reviewed at the end of the semester and they are not for profit right now. Part of the agreement is that, when they are a for-profit company, the

UASU will be getting a portion of those profits because of the way we've been supporting them as they start up.

VILLOSO: Elev came to Council last semester to answer Councilors' questions, and if you have any further questions, please feel free to reach out to me or Marc.

REGMI: Question for the Bylaw Committee Chair: I spoke to you and the President about proposals to increase the number of signatures for a given candidate to be 20. The rationale was about the growth of the student body, but some faculties have grown less than others, and not everyone knows 20 people. It seems that we are making it harder for people to run, not easier, so why not keep it at 10?

FLAMAN: This change had been in the works for a couple of years. Yes, some faculties have grown quicker than others, some have shrunk, and the total number of students has increased. The focus here is that a common theme from various Councilors has been that they didn't know what they were getting into, the amount of work involved. If we add a little bit of a hurdle to the nomination process, while students are investigating the role, it may give them pause to step back and say 'is that really something I want to do?' If they don't specifically know 20 people to sign their nomination package, then get out and meet people: you don't go to 20 of your friends, you need to go to 20 of your potential constituents. This isn't supposed to be a popularity contest where you just go to your closest buddies and say 'sign this because I want to run,' you need to make a pitch and go out and tell people 'I want to run because X, Y, Z, and do you feel I would be a suitable candidate?' By introducing that little bit of an extra hurdle, that might make it more difficult to run, but what we want in our potential candidate pools, especially as we're shrinking Council, is quality over quantity. We want better candidates who are more informed. If that's going to shy away some people, I don't think we're going to be any worse off for it.

LIU: A comment on candidate nominations: in faculties like mine, this new 20-signature threshold might be a significant hurdle. Maybe in the very small faculties, we could even say that if someone gets 40-50 signatures, they should get the position, because that's half the people who would vote. I'm not in favour of increasing the signature threshold to 20.

2022-19/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2022-19/8a **STEINBUSCH/REGMI MOVE TO** nominate (1) member of council to the Ad-Hoc Sustainability Committee.

CARRIED 20/00/00

Steinbusch nominates Carbajal Velez (accepted)

Carbajal Velez is appointed to the Sustainability Committee via acclamation.

2022-19/8b **STEINBUSCH/ARSLAN MOVE TO** nominate (1) member of council to the Nominating Committee

See SC-2022-19.12

CARRIED 20/00/00

VILLOSO: Does Nominating Committee have plans to get students at large for next year's committees?

STEINBUSCH: There has been some discussion and I'll need to talk further with the committee.

Arslan nominates Ussebayereva (accepted)

Ussebayereva is appointed to the Nominating Committee via acclamation.

2022-19/8c **WATTAMANIUK/DHILLON MOVE TO** nominate (2) members of council to the Council Administration Committee as a Permanent Member.

See SC-2022-19.13

CARRIED 20/00/00

Villoso nominates Flaman (accepted)

Wattamaniuk nominates Regmi (accepted)

Flaman and Regmi are appointed to CAC via acclamation.

2022-19/8d **VILLOSO/FOGUE MOVE TO** nominate one member of Council to the Finance Committee

See SC-2022-19.14

CARRIED 20/00/00

Fogue nominates Reisbig (declined)  
Villoso nominates Steinbusch (declined)  
Fogue nominates Brooks (declined)  
Wattamaniuk nominates Arslan (declined)

**VILLOSO/DORSCHIED MOVE TO TABLE** the above motion.  
CARRIED 20/00/00

2022-19/8e **MONTEIRO / FLAMAN MOVE TO** approve Bill 2: Electoral Reform in second reading

See SC-2022-19.15

WATTAMANIUK: Notes that the new approach consolidates and eliminates redundant elements and should make elections more accessible.

LIU: The preferential balloting process works well in situations with many candidates, but may not be necessary for smaller constituencies with only one or two candidates, and may be confusing.

WATTAMANIUK: Explains the UASU's voting system; any proportional runoff ballot system like this is going to take some degree of output documentation, and it's not a barrier to participation.

MONTEIRO: Asks for a friendly amendment clarifying that the 20 signature requirement is specific to GFC and Council elections.

LIU: Thanks WATTAMANIUK for his explanation. Voices his opposition to the 20 nomination threshold; it should be fixed at a percentage of students in the faculty due to the difficulty of getting 20 signatures in a small faculty.

FLAMAN: Wouldn't necessarily be opposed to a percentage approach. Right now 10 signatures is 5% of Native Studies and 0.14% of Arts. If we find the 20 threshold is overly stifling, next year's Council can adjust.

FOTANG: We've added deadlines with times; can we clarify time zones, as some students may not be in the same geographical region as Edmonton?

MONTEIRO: We can work that into definitions around standard working hours.

CARRIED 19/01/00 Liu Abstains

**MONTEIRO/FLAMAN MOVE TO** approve the following friendly amendment in Bylaw 320: Regulation 320: Nomination Procedure:

At least (20) and no more than fifty (50) members acting as nominators for Students'

Council and General Faculties Council Elections who at the time of the nomination deadline are currently registered in the same faculty as the nominee.

CARRIED 19/00/00

**MONTEIRO/VILLOSO MOVE TO** amend the proposed bylaw by clarifying local Edmonton time where time is referenced.

CARRIED 20/00/00

2022-19/9 GENERAL ORDERS

2022-19/9a **ABBASI/CARBAJAL VELEZ MOVE TO** discuss low engagement in the elections and how to increase engagement in future elections.

WITHDRAWN

2022-19/9b **REGMI/LIU MOVE TO** discuss recent student concerns regarding transit safety.

REGMI: The pandemic has led to an increase in homelessness and drug abuse. We need to ensure that people in trouble can get the support they need and ensure students are safe.

LIU: Lack of safety on transit is still persistent. I have been following this since 2021, when a Chinese student was stabbed in the transit station near HUB Mall. It's important to get better cell signal in the stations to contact emergency services, and increase the presence of peace officers and social workers so they can intervene.

CARBAJAL VELEZ: Is this separate from the Campus Safety and Security Policy and its consultation?

REGMI: Policies are being developed related to safety and transit; this discussion will feed into our transit safety asks.

FOTANG: The Campus Safety and Security Policy does include transit safety. Hopefully Council's discussion will be able to inform the advocacy asks for both policies. Are there rising concerns leading to this discussion?

REGMI: Part of my motivation in bringing this up was to learn if others have heard the same concerns from their faculties. We are seeing the problem get worse instead of better and we need to keep talking about it.

CARBAJAL VELEZ: This is a current consultation and conversation that's going on with Policy Committee and we're trying to avoid duplication of similar bylaws, consultation, and effort; there's risk that this will replicate what the Campus Safety and Security Policy is trying to do, and may be outside the scope of the Transit Policy.

REGMI: The intent is to see what we can do better about transit safety, not to talk about any specific policy. I don't want these transit problems to continue coming up.

DHILLON: I hope this is helpful. There have been issues with streetlights burning out and large dark areas making people feel unsafe; there have also been concerns that the pedways do not have cameras, and people have been approached there in ways that made them feel unsafe. There was a point where ECHA was locked at night to protect the students who stay late there; that may be a useful approach.

OJO: If we're feeling unsafe, others probably are too. There are many places I feel unsafe, so I'm hypervigilant on transit, but because these are systemic issues, I'm not sure these are issues for the University to solve.

LIU: Agrees with DHILLON's comments about lack of cameras and lighting, and also points out issues where people have had their belongings stolen from lockers. Nobody is actually monitoring many cameras.

DHILLON: This will continue to be a bigger conversation in Policy Committee, and if anyone is interested in participating they are welcome to talk to FOTANG.

**LIU/DHILLON MOVE TO** table the motion to the next meeting.  
CARRIED 19/00/00

2022-19/9c **REGMI/STEINBUSCH MOVE TO** discuss the Alberta Sovereignty Act Within a United Alberta

TABLED

**STEINBUSCH/USSERBAYEVA MOVE TO** table the motion until the next meeting.  
CARRIED 19/00/00

2022-19/9d **MONTEIRO/FOGUE MOVE TO** discuss the implementation of the Students' Council and Standing Committee Restructuring as identified in the Governance Restructuring Task Force Recommendations.

See SC-2022-19.16

CARRIED 19/00/00

WATTAMANIUK: Speaks in favor of the new model's ability to create synergies between committees and reduce operational demand; Councilors' job is to be deliberative, and Councilors should not be relied upon for the day-to-day operations of the UASU. The new model strikes a good balance. This model will be discussed at next week's Chairs' meeting to ensure all Committee Chairs are on the same page and ready to implement it.

LIU: As long as smaller faculties are still represented, a smaller Council is fine. Intends to bring forward a discussion about further governance restructuring possibilities.

MONTEIRO: Happy to look at any proposals in advance of them coming to Council.

FLAMAN: Speaks in favor of the new model and the governance restructuring report that Abner and staff prepared.

MONTEIRO: Would like to get a sense from Council of their preferences between the two proposed scenarios. The next motion that comes to Council will likely be a motion for approval. Requests a soft poll of Councilors on their preferences and would be happy to speak with Councilors who are undecided or have other alternatives in mind.

Councilors take a non-binding poll with placards.

LIU: Aims to bring forward a proposal in the current governance cycle if possible.

2022-19/10 CLOSED SESSIONS

2022-19/10a **ALI/LIU MOVE TO** direct the Executive Committee to organize watch parties for the 2022 World Cup.

WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent of Council.

**LIU/WATTAMANIUK MOVE TO** withdraw the above motion.  
CARRIED 19/00/00

**REGMI/LIU MOVE TO** rescind the TABLING of agenda item 9b.  
CARRIED 20/00/01

2022-19/11 INFORMATION ITEMS

2022-19/11a Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-18) December 13th, 2022

See SC-2022-19.01

2022-19/11b Executive Reports

See SC-2022-19.07-19.09

2022-19/11c Board of Governors Report

See SC-2022-19.10

2022-19/11d Students' Council Submissions

See SC-2022-19.11-19.17

2022-19/11e Students' Council - Attendance

See SC-2022-19.18

SPEAKER adjourned the meeting at 8:29 P.M.



Wednesday, January 18, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date** Tuesday, January 24, 2023

[Meeting Schedule](#)

**Submitter** Pien Steinbusch

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**Type of Item Submission**

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

## Approval/Discussion Items

### Motion

ARSLAN/USSERBAYEVA move to approve Ivan Varela and Evan Sawyer to Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee.

**Mover** ARSLAN

**Second** USSERBAYEVA

**Presenter (If Not the Mover)** Pien

**Does this item require a closed session discussion?**

**Office/Committee Responsible** Nominating Committee

### Purpose

To fill SAL vacancies for SCFC

### Executive Summary

Fill SCFC vacancies

### Relevant Bylaws/Policies/Standing Orders

N/A

### Engagement and Routing

Nominating Committee

### Approval Routing

Students' Council

## **Strategic Alignment**

N/A

[Strategic Plan](#)

## **Calls for Nominations**

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## **Written Nominations**

## **Information Items**

## **Presentations**

## **Written Questions**



Friday, January 20, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

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**Submitter**

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**Type of Item Submission**

Information Item

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

Yes

## Approval/Discussion Items

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## Information Items

**Agenda Title**

President Report #19

**Description of the Information Item**

Bi-Weekly President Report to Council

**Attachments**



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## Presentations

## Written Questions

**Date:** 01/24/2023

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** President 2022/23 Report #19

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Dear Council,

I hope you are all doing well! Below is my report for the last two weeks. The executive team has been hard at work to get wins for students, many of which are reflected below.

### **Tuition Advocacy**

The University has drafted its proposal for domestic and international tuition increases, which will officially be public before the January 26, 2023 meeting of the Council of Student Affairs. I am very excited to announce that due to our advocacy, the University has agreed to abolish the \$40 installment fee, which has been charged to students who pay their tuition in two installments since as early as 1991! Roughly 25,000 students currently pay the installment fee, and removing this fee will save students \$1,000,000 annually.

Our focus is now on increasing the tuition offset for need-based student financial aid as much as possible and getting students present at the March Board of Governors meeting.

### **Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS) and UASU Budget Submissions**

Christian and I have been working alongside CAUS to refine our budget submission to the provincial government. Alongside the CAUS submission, the UASU also put together a shorter supplementary submission highlighting SGBV Violence and Response at Augustana and CSJ, the development of a permanent residency stream for international students, and funding for students in precarious housing situations.

### **Experiential Learning (EL) Better Practices**

Gurleen and I have been working with the Vice Provost of Learning Initiatives, Karsten Mundel, to enhance the support structure for students on experiential learning through improved training and resources for supervisors and departments that oversee these opportunities, enhancing the EL page on the UAlberta website, and developing simple mechanisms for students to easily find where to go if they need support.

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**Abner Monteiro, President**

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## Mandatory Non-Instructional Fee (MNIF) Advocacy

Joannie, Julia and I attended MNIF, where we shared your concerns regarding removing the off-campus rate for students. After a lengthy discussion at the MNIF Joint Oversight Committee, the University, SU, and GSA voted to remove the off-campus category for the Health and Wellness and Academic Support Fee and to keep the Athletics and Recreation Fee as is. In a typical year, the university would increase the MNIF by API - the University's service cost inflation projection - which is 4%. The change to these two fee categories will mean that there will be a freeze next year for the Health and Wellness Fee, and there will only be a 2% increase to the Academic Support Fee.

## Mental Health Advocacy

There will also be a very exciting announcement coming in the next week or two from the University regarding Mental Health as a result of the UASU's advocacy!

## Governance Restructuring Task Force (GRTF) and Committee Restructuring

Following up on the discussion at Council on the proposal I presented, Bylaw Committee will now be working to incorporate the changes reflected in scenario #1 of that proposal.

## AntiFreeze Judge

Last week, I got to live out my dream of being a judge! AntiFreeze had its dance competition, where Joannie, Christian and I had the privilege of watching the teams perform and rank their dances! Seeing the creativity and passion that so many teams put into their dances was so much fun!

Cheers,



### Abner Monteiro (he/him)

President

University of Alberta Students' Union





Friday, January 20, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date**

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

[Meeting Schedule](#)

**Submitter**

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**Type of Item Submission**

Information Item

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

No

## Approval/Discussion Items

[Strategic Plan](#)

## Calls for Nominations

[Council Committees and Boards](#)

## Written Nominations

## Information Items

**Agenda Title**

council report

**Description of the Information Item**

council report

**Attachments**



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## Presentations

## Written Questions

**Date:** 2023-01-20

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President External 2022/23 Report #5

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Dear Council,

Below is a highlight of activities, meetings, and updates pertaining to my role.

### **Meeting with MP Boissonnault**

*As mentioned in my verbal report last week*, Abner and I met with Minister Randy Boissonnault, MP for Edmonton-Centre.

MP Boissonnault was also a former UASU executive, serving as VP of External and President.

In our meeting, we focused on affordability and mental health. Specifically, with affordability, we illustrated the impact rising tuition has had and will continue to have on students and why as a result maintaining the doubling of the Canada Student Grant is an essential means. On mental health, we stressed the need for the Federal and Provincial governments to work together to ensure that Post-Secondary Institutions can get the funding outlined in the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions by the Prime Minister which would be used for institutions to hire more councilors and clinicians on campus.



We wrapped up our meeting by providing the Minister with a tour of the Myer Horowitz Theatre.

### **CAUS Budget Submission**

*Last week, I worked alongside our colleagues at CAUS to draft and submit CAUS' budget recommendations.* The Government of Alberta budget like most budgets determines how much money the government can spend and where to allocate resources.

The budget is a representation of the government's priorities and as such in preparation for presenting the budget (which often happens in late February or early March), the government will call for submissions for recommendations for stakeholder groups like CAUS. The CAUS budget recommendations proposed funding for support through a wide array of policies and programs from Mental health supports, to increasing campus Alberta grants; creating one-time emergency support for

students to deal with the rising cost of living as well as increasing the longer-term non-repayable aid. You can view the CAUS budget recommendations [HERE](#).

In addition to CAUS' submission, we also submitted a UASU-specific budget recommendation. This version focused on earmarked funding to support resources needed to prevent and respond to incidents of GBV and DV in Augustana and CSJ; funding programs that support students in precarious housing situations and; funding for settlement services that support international students as well as expanding the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program to provide better pathways to Permanent Residency for recent international students graduates of recognized Alberta post-secondary institutions.



### **Anti-Freeze: Snow You Think You Can Dance**

*I also had the opportunity last week to showcase my adjudication skills by bringing my experience and talent in Just Dance to be a judge on the Anti-Freeze Dance competition.* I had a blast alongside Abner and Joannie. A big shoutout to all the competitors. I had only one criterion: *Never let me know your next move.* And many teams certainly did not. This was an amazing time. A fun-filled one-hour saga of storytelling and electric dance moves. I had only one regret, that it did not last long enough. I am happy that amidst, the cold weather, and classes resuming we continue to have wonderful events like this to keep the student life energy going. Huge shoutout to the events team for organizing and executing another fantastic round of Anti-Freeze.

### **Transit Safety: Tana Vea**

*Transit safety has been a top priority for students and a common concern for all.* I recently met with Tana Vea, Program Supervisor for ETS security. Tana and I discussed what sorts of improvements to transit safety especially at University Station, especially after the most recent budget. I also discussed with Tana the feasibility and opportunity to improve specific infrastructure issues around which students will often share their concerns. Specifically crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED), we talked about improving the lighting in stations by replacing the bulbs, floor-to-human height mirrors, and lighting around railings. While cell reception is not within his jurisdiction we also asked about improving and boosting the wifi signal in the underground station. Tana explained that we can expect to see some of these changes by the end of March. Following up on this conversation, we also hope there will be opportunities for students to share their experiences and concerns directly with ETS leadership through a town hall or roundtable setting.

### **Priority Programs Committee**

*Priority Programs is a committee of the Alumni Council. The mission and goal of this committee is to provide advice and recommendations on key priority program areas identified by the Office of Alumni Relations, including but not limited to annual giving; student transitions, and the format of the Alumni Awards ceremony.* In this week's agenda, we discussed where the committee would like to see donations from the giving day go. I alongside other committee members stressed donations going towards places like the campus food bank or

financial aid. I was pleased to see alumni recognizing and supporting measures that can address the cost of living that students are currently facing.

*As always, thank you for taking the time to go through this report. I look forward to your questions and comments.*

Cheers,

*Christian Fotang*

**Christian Fotang**

Vice President External

University of Alberta Students' Union



Thursday, January 19, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

[Meeting Schedule](#)

**Submitter**

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**Type of Item Submission**

Information Item

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

No

## Approval/Discussion Items

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## Written Nominations

## Information Items

**Agenda Title**

VPOF Report #18

**Description of the Information Item**

This is my bi-weekly report for Council!

**Attachments**



Council Report SC18\_01\_19\_... .pdf

## Presentations

## Written Questions

**Date:** 01/19/2023

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President Operations and Finance 2022/23 Report #18

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Dear Council,

I hope you all had a good two weeks, this is what I've been up to:

### **Executive Shadow Week**

The Executives started our Shadow Days this past week, and we've gotten a lot of students wanting to shadow some of our meetings, learning more about our roles, and seeing what our day-to-days are like! If you're interested in signing up for any of our sessions or didn't get a chance to, you can go to this [link](#) or reach out to Abner! If you're interested in running for an Executive position, this is a great opportunity to see what it would be like.

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

Joannie and I have been working on creating the Health and Dental Plan committee! We're currently in the middle of interviews for possible student-at-larges to sit on the committee, and are hoping to wrap up the selection process soon. We are also looking for 2 councillors to sit on this committee, so if you're interested in the Health and Dental Plan and want to see some changes for next year, let us know!

### **CSSH Dean Selection Committee**

A large portion of time this week was spent on the College of Social Sciences and Humanities Dean Selection Committee. On Monday and Tuesday, we held public forums for each candidate and the general University community got to see their presentations of their visions and plans for the College and got to ask questions. I wanted to thank Councillor Pien for being a part of the small group student interviews for the candidates!

### **SUB Renaming Committee**

To accomplish one of my platform points of the ARRC Recommendation: The Students' Union shall name a portion of rooms in SUB to reflect the diversity of students at the University of Alberta, as well as to acknowledge the ancestral space on which it sits. I've been working with Chantel, the ARRC Chair and VP Internal/External of the Indigenous Students' Union, and Shannon Cornelsen, the VP Consultation of the Indigenous Students' Union, on this project! We're having our first official committee meeting on Friday to go over our goals and take a tour of SUB. The committee consists of various Indigenous students and faculty, and I'm very excited to finally be making headway on this long awaited project!

### **SUB Planning Committee**

SUB Planning Committee met yesterday to hopefully go over our planned renovations for the building, though unfortunately we weren't able to meet quorum. Hopefully next week we can officially meet as a committee to discuss the future of the Students' Union Building!

### **U-Pass Administration Committee**

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**Julia Viloso, Vice President Operations and Finance**

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The U-Pass Administration Committee met this morning, and we went over the issues that students were having with the ARC Card and U-Pass. Edmonton Transit Service is having problems on their end of things with activating the U-Pass, so students may have been seeing “insufficient funds” when tapping their ARC Card. Until they solve this issue, ETS has assured us that students will be able to show bus drivers their OneCard and ARC Card as proof of payment on public transit.

### **MNIF Joint Oversight Committee**

Joannie, Abner, and I attended an MNIF Joint Oversight committee today where we got to give them Council’s feedback on proposed changes to the mandatory non-instructional fee structure and fee amounts. The proposal will now make its way down the rest of the University governance structure, and we thank you all for your guidance and sharing your perspectives on these changes!

### **Fee Governance**

Another large part of my two weeks has been conducting consultation sessions with dedicated fee units and student representative associations regarding our proposed changes to fee governance that the Finance Committee has been working on for the past year. Last week, I finally wrapped up the consultation with the DFUs and today will be our first consultation session with the student representative associations. Hopefully we’ll be able to wrap the consultation process up and get first principles to Students’ Council soon!

### **Budget Principles**

Finance Committee received the first draft of the budget principles last Friday, and we’ve been having some really great discussions on possible additions and amendments to the budget principles! We’ll be continuing our discussion on budget principles at our meeting tomorrow, and also on possible changes to budget formatting for this year’s budget in order to make it more accessible and digestible for students and increase transparency. For the next month or so, we will be conducting consultation with staff and the general student body on budget priorities! A Perks survey is out right now, so please fill it out if you can!

If you have any questions about this report or just want to grab some coffee, please don’t hesitate to reach out!

Best,



### **Julia Villosio**

Vice President Operations and Finance  
University of Alberta Students’ Union



Friday, January 20, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

[Meeting Schedule](#)

**Submitter**

FOGUE

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**Type of Item Submission**

Information Item

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

No

## Approval/Discussion Items

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## Calls for Nominations

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## Written Nominations

## Information Items

**Agenda Title**

VPSL Council Report

**Description of the Information Item**

Here is what I've been up to over the past two weeks.

**Attachments**



VPSL Report\_JANUARY\_24\_2... .pdf

## Presentations

## Written Questions

**Date:** 01/24/2023

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President Student Life 2022/23 Report #18



**ANTI-FREEZE** - Wanted to start my report with my favourite part of last week. I was able to judge the Anti-Freeze SNOW YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE? Had such a good time with Christian and Abner, congrats again to all the students who participated.

**GATEWAY INTERVIEW** - Last week, I had an interview with the Gagwey. I discussed changes that were made, what went into making these changes, and the importance of the new policy.

### **ADVOCACY**

**WORKING WITH THE CAMPUS FOOD BANK** - I know many of you have been interested in knowing how we are working to support students facing insecurity. As mentioned at our last council meeting, I'm very happy to know our students council wants to support our students, however, I do want to follow best practices and work directly to hear from students impacted by food security. I had my first meeting w the CFB last week and

she was able to give me a few updates. Something we are going to work on is a specific GSA/SU focus group to hear from students. I have also worked with Erin to set up a meeting with the GSA and SU so we can come together and discuss how we want to address food insecurity through different avenues. We will also discuss updates on the Campus Food Bank pantry project with the university.

**MENTAL HEALTH** - As you may all be aware, mental health has been a rising concern for students, especially following COVID-19. Abner and I have been meeting with the University since the start of our terms to discuss how students have been impacted and how the university can support them. Abner and I recently met with our counterparts and received some updates as to how the University will do to address these concerns we've been discussing over the past few months. Abner and I are excited to share this with you all soon!

### **EVENTS**

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH** - Christian, and I met with Lula Adams, EDI Coordinator for Wellness Supports. We have been in the final stages of planning for the BHM Discussion Panel in collaboration with the Dean of Students. We are hoping to have invited 3 black professionals who can speak about Mental Health within the black community and the experiences that black students may face. We will also have a student a part of the discussion panel to provide a different perspective.

**SEXUAL VIOLENCE SPEAKER SERIES** - I have started planning the Sexual Violence Speaker Series. Daniela and I met last week to work on the different sessions we wanted to host. The first sessions, would focus on sexual health education and making sure it's 2SLGBTQ+ and culturally sensitive. The importance of making sure we have sessions like this is to ensure that we can work towards shifting the dialogue around sexual violence. Talking about is also a preventative method to address sexual violence. The second session would be a discussion panel from different departments on campus. The goal is for students to directly or anonymously ask any question that they may have. Hopefully, this will create a platform for students to get the answers they need to navigate their personal relationships, policies at the University, etc. Finally, we want to replicate one of the sessions the Sexual Assault Centre already facilitates; Support Survivorsé/Responding to disclosures. I will be able to share more info soon!



**Joannie Fogue**

Vice President Student Life

University of Alberta Students' Union



Friday, January 20, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date** Tuesday, January 24, 2023

[Meeting Schedule](#)

**Submitter** Abner Monteiro

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**Type of Item Submission**

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

## Approval/Discussion Items

[Strategic Plan](#)

## Calls for Nominations

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## Written Nominations

## Information Items

## Presentations

**Motion** MONTEIRO/FOTANG MOVE TO allow a presentation from the University of Alberta regarding the Student Experience Action Plan

**Mover** MONTEIRO

**Seconder** FOTANG

**Presenter** Monteiro and Padfield

**Should this Presentation Occur in a Closed Session?**

**Office/Committee Responsible** University of Alberta Office of the Provost

### Abstract

As the University of Alberta grows, it's essential we continue to place a high value on crafting and

delivering a truly exceptional student experience. It's also important we make tangible investments to do this work. As a result, we will be consulting with students, faculty, staff and alumni to develop a Student Experience Action Plan to support the University Strategic Plan.

We will be taking an approach of co-creation to this work with our student body which will allow us to reflect the voices, needs and aspirations of our communities as we develop a compelling student value proposition.

### **Presentation Slides Upload**



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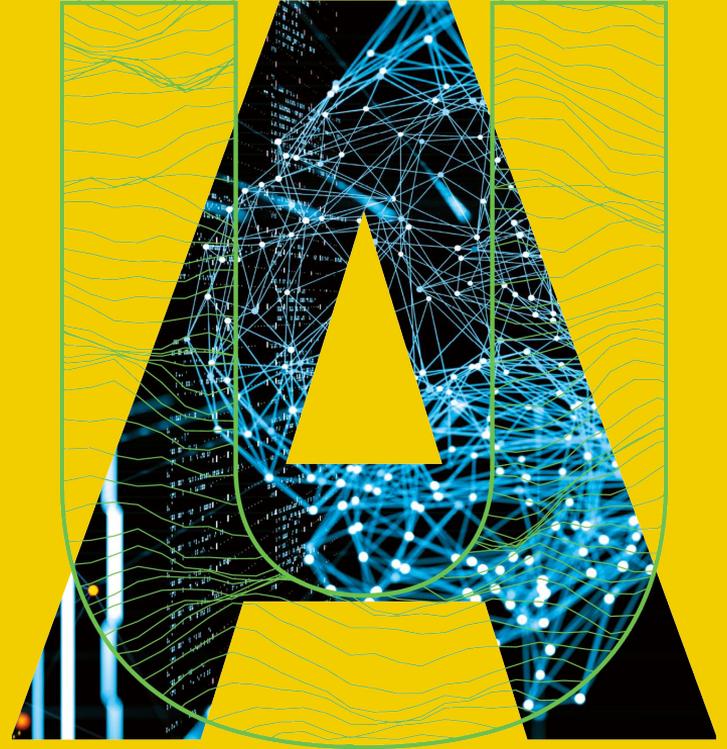
## **Written Questions**

# Student Experience Action Plan

Students' Council Meeting  
January 24, 2023



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# Agenda

1. About the Student Experience Action Plan
  - Purpose of the project
  - Co-creation
2. Tell us about your student experience

# Purpose of this project

As the University grows, it's essential to continue to place high value on crafting and delivering a **truly exceptional student experience**.

We are consulting with with students, faculty, staff and alumni to develop a **Student Experience Action Plan** to support the [University Strategic Plan](#).

The project has three overarching goals:

1. Co-create an engaging “student experience value proposition” that is unique to the U of A
2. Identify and implement steps to deliver that student experience
3. Track and report on specific metrics to monitor success

# Co-creation

This project will be co-created with the student body

- Involving students from the very beginning to understand your experience and what you need to make it exceptional

To support co-creation the project has 4 equal co-sponsors

## Executive Co-Sponsor

Melissa Padfield, Deputy  
Provost, Students and  
Enrolment

## 2 x Student Co-Sponsors

Abner Monteiro, SU President  
Anas Fassih, GSA President

## Faculty Co-Sponsor

Leo Wong, Associate Dean,  
Education, Alberta School of  
Business

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# Your Student Experience

Go to [www.menti.com](https://www.menti.com) and enter the code on the slide.

# Question #1

What do you think is unique about the U of A experience?

## Question #2

What is one thing the University could do to make your student experience better?

# Question #3

Think about what you really want to get out of your time at the U of A. What does the university do to support that?

# Upcoming Engagements

## **Focus Group**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

9:00 - 10:00 am in SUB 4-02

Please share this with anyone you know who may be interested.

[Sign up for a Focus Group here!](#)

## **Focus Group**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

11:00 - 12:00 pm in SUB 4-02

# Questions?

## **Project Webpage:**

[www.ualberta.ca/strategic-plan/student-experience-action-plan/index.html](http://www.ualberta.ca/strategic-plan/student-experience-action-plan/index.html)

**Contact Us:** [seap@ualberta.ca](mailto:seap@ualberta.ca)

**Thank you!**



Friday, January 6, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date** Tuesday, January 10, 2023

[Meeting Schedule](#)

**Submitter** Julia Villosio

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**Type of Item Submission**

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

## Approval/Discussion Items

[Strategic Plan](#)

### Calls for Nominations

**Motion** VILLOSO moves to nominate one member of Council to the Finance Committee

**Mover** Villosio

**Seconder** Fogue

**Body Being Nominated To** Finance Committee

#### Description of the Body

The committee is responsible for developing policy and disbursing grants from numerous funds including student group funds and the Access Fund. The committee also oversees the Students' Union awards program, recommends the annual operating budget of the Students' Union to Students' Council, as required by Students' Union legislation, and makes recommendations on alterations to the budget.

[Council Committees and Boards](#)

#### Purpose of Council Representation

This semester we will be working on the final stages of the Fee Governance Review, budget creation, and get presentations from some of our Core Managers!

#### List of Current Members

Julia Villosio  
Simran Dhillon  
Joannie Fogue  
Lionel Liu

David Lee  
Levi Flaman  
Fateh Arslan  
Milan Regmi

### **Meeting Schedule**

We are still setting up a meeting schedule but we meet weekly!

### **Written Nominations**

### **Information Items**

### **Presentations**

### **Written Questions**



Friday, January 20, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date** Tuesday, January 24, 2023

[Meeting Schedule](#)

**Submitter** FLAMAN

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**Type of Item Submission**

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

## Approval/Discussion Items

### Motion

FLAMAN / LEE moves to approve first reading of Bill 3: Governance Reform based on the following principles

**Mover** FLAMAN

**Second** LEE

**Presenter (If Not the Mover)** N/A

**Does this item require a closed session discussion?**

**Office/Committee Responsible** Bylaw Committee

### Purpose

Beginning work on amending several deficiencies identified throughout the year, as well as previous years in D.I.E. Board rulings

### Executive Summary

Beginning work on amending several deficiencies identified throughout the year, as well as previous years in D.I.E. Board rulings

### Relevant Bylaws/Policies/Standing Orders

Section I: Governance

### Engagement and Routing

Bylaw Committee

## Approval Routing

Bylaw Committee - January 19, 2023

Students' Council - January 24, 2023

## Strategic Alignment

Remove barriers to community involvement and participation in Students' Union Programming.  
Strengthen our collective voice by engaging students in advocacy.

[Strategic Plan](#)

## Attachments



Bill 3\_ Governance Reform Fir...pdf

## Calls for Nominations

[Council Committees and Boards](#)

## Written Nominations

## Information Items

## Presentations

## Written Questions

Is there anything else that you would like to include?

No

# Bill 3: Governance Reform First Principles

- Legislation will be amended to incorporate recommendations made by the Governance Restructuring Task Force regarding reducing the size of Students' Council and reducing the number of standing committees currently in operation.
- Legislation will be amended to incorporate recommendations from an August 2022 D.I.E. Board ruling regarding restrictions on Departmental Associations.
- Legislation will be amended to incorporate recommendations from a January 2022 D.I.E. Board ruling regarding replenishment.
- Legislation will be amended to incorporate recommendations from a September 2021 D.I.E. Board ruling regarding attendance and extenuating circumstances.
- Legislation will be amended to rectify gaps identified in an August 2017 D.I.E. Board ruling regarding start-up dates and attendance requirements.
- Legislation will be amended to consolidate all definitions used by the Students' Union into a single, unified document.
- Legislation will be amended to rectify issues identified after the passage of Bill 2 regarding election dates and campaign budgets.



Friday, January 20, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date** Monday, January 23, 2023

[Meeting Schedule](#)

**Submitter** Christian Fotang

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**Type of Item Submission**

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

## Approval/Discussion Items

[Strategic Plan](#)

## Calls for Nominations

**Motion** Fotang Moves to nominate 2 Councillors to the Policy Committee

**Mover** Fotang

**Seconder** Liu

**Body Being Nominated To** Policy Committee

### Description of the Body

we write policies and update them

[Council Committees and Boards](#)

### Purpose of Council Representation

In accordance with Bylaw 100 of the University of Alberta Students' Union, the Policy Committee: Shall make recommendations to Students' Council on Students' Union political policy respecting both businesses of entities not based and based at the University of Alberta; Shall receive reports from the Students' Union Executive Committee on its advocacy activities and evaluate their effectiveness; and Can make editorial changes to all political policy under its purview.

### List of Current Members

Christian Fotang  
Joannie Fogue  
Gurleen Kaur

Simran Dhillon  
Lionel Liu  
Ibukun Ojo  
Milan Regmi

**Meeting Schedule**

Mondays weekly 6-7pm

**Written Nominations**

**Information Items**

**Presentations**

**Written Questions**



Thursday, January 19, 2023

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

**Council Meeting Date**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

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**Submitter**

Zukowski

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**Type of Item Submission**

Information Item

**Is this a Consent Agenda item?**

No

## Approval/Discussion Items

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## Calls for Nominations

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## Written Nominations

## Information Items

**Agenda Title**

Notice of Resignation - Leo Huang

**Description of the Information Item**

Per section 4(3) of Bylaw 100, I am required to table at Council any resignation letters that I receive.

Councillor Huang submitted his letter of resignation on January 19, 2023, to the Council Jotform for inclusion on the Jan. 24 Council Meeting Order Paper. This information item is to confirm that I am considering that letter to satisfy the requirements of Bylaw 100.

**Attachments**



Letter of Resignation - Leo Hu....pdf

## Presentations

## Written Questions



Christian Zukowski <christian.zukowski@su.ualberta.ca>

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## Formal Resignation Letter

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Leo Huang <ljhuang@ualberta.ca>

Thu, Jan 19, 2023 at 12:52 AM

To: Speaker of Students' Council <speaker@su.ualberta.ca>

Hi Christian,

I write to you notifying you of my resignation from the student council. I have accepted a position as an intern in the UCP Caucus with that I feel I'm unable to perform my duties as councillor properly with that I choose to resign. This resignation will take affect a day after the next meeting which is next Wednesday January 24th. It has been an honour and a privileged to serve with you and I wish you the best.

Thank you,

Leo Huang

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

