

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday April 5, 2011
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2010-26)

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2010-26/6d **EASTHAM/HUYNH MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill # 51, that Students' Council adopt the political policy, Scholarships and Bursaries, in second reading.

Principles:

1. that the Students' Union shall lobby the University of Alberta to increase the number and value of awards granted to continuing undergraduate students in order to be consistent with the number and value of entrance awards;
2. that the Students' Union shall lobby the University of Alberta and the Government of Alberta to increase the proportion of scholarships and bursaries that are awarded based on the students' financial need and/or involvement;
3. that the Students' Union lobby the University of Alberta to pursue a single point entry to the scholarship and bursaries application process; and

4. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014.

Please see document LA 10-26.02

2010-26/6e

TIGHE/HUYNH MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill # 52, that Students' Council adopt the political policy, Student Loans, in second reading.

Principles:

1. that the Students' Union advocates for a financial aid system that:
 - a. includes increased relative and absolute amounts of non-repayable assistance, including but not limited to grants and bursaries;
 - b. is accessible to all Albertan students attending not-for-profit post-secondary institutions and addresses the real financial need;
 - c. recognizes the complete overhead costs of education to the learner including, but not limited to: rent and utility costs, textbook costs, transportation costs, food, personal care, internet and computer costs;
 - d. includes adjustments to all forms of financial assistance to reflect changes in market realities as they affect students;
 - e. does not consider parental income as a factor for loans; and
 - f. eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates.
2. that this policy expire on April 30, 2014.

Please see document LA 10-26.03

2010-26/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2010-26/7h

COX/ISKANDAR MOVE THAT Students' Council approve Bill #29, in second reading.

Principle:

1. that Students' Council adopt the ballot counting mechanism, UASU-STV, as outlined in the November 2010 Elections Review Committee Report.
2. this motion will come into effect immediately prior to the 2012 General Elections.

Please see document LA 10-26.04

2010-26/7i

MURPHY MOVE THAT Students' Council approve the following resolution:

Whereas at its March 17th, 2011 meeting the delegates at a meeting of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations passed a resolution with two-thirds (2/3) of all votes

present at the meeting with such votes representing over fifty percent (50%) of the total full-time equivalent students to amend the organization's bylaws.

Be It Resolved That this body, representing the authority to make such a decision on behalf of University of Alberta Students' Union, approve the amendment in whole of the present CASA bylaws with the presented amended CASA bylaws;

Please see document LA 10-26.05

2010-26/8

INFORMATION ITEMS

2010-26/8e

Strategic Microwave Placement Survey

Please see document LA 10-26.06

2010-26/8f

Policy Committee document

Please see document LA 10-26.07

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Policy Committee- Report

Please see document LA 10-26.08

2010-26/8h

James Eastham, VP Academic- Report

Please see document LA 10-26.09

Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement (DIE) Board

Ruling of the Board

HEARING DETAILS

Style of Cause:	Reference Re: Bylaw 6000
Hearing Number:	Ruling #9 2010/2011
Hearing Date:	April 4 th , 2011
DIE Board Panel Members:	Megan Mickalyk, Chief Tribune, Chair; Kathleen Elhatton-Lake, Associate Chief Tribune; Natalie Climenhaga, Tribune;
Appearing for the Applicant:	Petros Kusmu
Intervenor:	Alex Eldridge

BACKGROUND

[1] On February 17th, at the Gateway Student Journalism Society (GSJS) Board of Directors meeting, several motions were made to alter the Gateway publication for the upcoming 2011/2012 year due to fiscal concerns. Relevant to this proceeding was a decision by the Board of Directors to reduce publication from twice per week to once per week. This raised a concern as to whether Gateway would be operating consistent with the publication schedule set out in Bylaw 6000. S. 3(3) (a) of Bylaw 6000 stipulates that Gateway must publish "...at least fifteen issues of The Gateway during each Fall or Winter term." Gateway would like to publish their orientation issue before classes begin, and their joke issue after classes end. For these issues to be counted towards the 15 issue requirement, they would need to be published within either the Fall or Winter term.

RELEVANT LEGISLATION

[2] Excerpt from Bylaw 6000:

Mandates

3. (3) The mandate of the Gateway Student Journalism Society is
 - (a) to publish at least fifteen issues of the Gateway during each Fall or Winter term;

ISSUE

[3] How should Bylaw 6000 s. 3(3)(a) be interpreted? Specifically, could issues published before or after classes in each semester be counted toward the 15 issue requirement?

DECISION

[4] The Academic calendar defines Fall term as running from September to December, and the Winter term as falling between January and April. So long as 15 issues are released within those blocks of time, the gateway will be operating consistently with bylaw 6000 s. 3(3)(a).

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE REASONS OF MICKALYK, CHIEF TRIBUNE

[5] To determine what constitutes the Fall or Winter term, DIE Board relied on definitions found within the University of Alberta Academic Calendar. According to the Glossary, Fall term is defined as “[t]he period of the academic year which runs from September through December.” The Winter term is defined as “[t]he period of the academic year which runs from January through April.” Consequently, “Fall term” as specified in Bylaw 6000 will be read as referring to the portion of the academic year running from September through to December, and “Winter term” will be interpreted as the portion of the academic year running from January to April. To be consistent with provision 3(3)(a) of Bylaw 6000, at least 15 issues must be published during each of these blocks of time.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE REASONS OF ELHATTON-LAKE, ASSOCIATE CHIEF TRIBUNE

[6] I Concur.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE REASONS OF CLIMENHAGA, TRIBUNE

[7] I Concur.

XIII. SCHOLARSIPS AND BURSAIRES

WHEREAS the cost of a university education has increased;

WHEREAS this cost increase poses a great disincentive to accessing a university education, as well as a considerable barrier to finishing a degree;

WHEREAS scholarships and bursaries are an integral part of the student finance system, without which motivated and outstanding individuals could not afford a university education;

WHEREAS the University of Alberta should not only aim to attract talented students, but demonstrate a commitment to realizing the full potential of current undergraduate students;

WHEREAS financial need can be detrimental to academic and extracurricular student achievement by diverting student focus and effort to employment;

WHEREAS the current scholarship and bursaries applications process is inefficient and time consuming;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall lobby the University of Alberta to increase the number and value of awards granted to continuing undergraduate students in order to be consistent with the number and value of entrance awards; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall lobby the University of Alberta and the Government of Alberta to increase the relative and absolute amounts of scholarships and bursaries that are awarded based on the students' financial need and/or involvement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT The Students' Union pursue a single point of entry to the scholarship and bursaries application process.

XIV. STUDENT LOANS

WHEREAS education must be viewed as a public good due to the benefits it brings to the social structure and tax system;

WHEREAS there exists an opportunity cost for those individuals who choose to pursue an education and be away from a job;

WHEREAS in order for education to be viewed as affordable and accessible the costs of living and the costs of education must be addressed as separate burdens;

WHEREAS the current parental contribution requirement within the student loan system does not reflect the diversity of Albertan students;

WHEREAS the debt load of students continues to increase, with the rising cost of tuition diminishing the relative value of the living allowance;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union advocates for a financial aid system that:

- a. includes increased relative and absolute amounts of non-repayable assistance, including but not limited to grants and bursaries;
- b. is accessible to all Albertan students attending not-for-profit post-secondary institutions and addresses the real financial need;
- c. recognizes the complete overhead costs of education to the learner including, but not limited to: rent and utility costs, textbook costs, transportation costs, food, personal care, internet and computer costs;
- d. includes adjustments to all forms of financial assistance to reflect changes in market realities as they affect students;
- e. does not consider parental income as a factor for loans; and
- f. eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates.

- (2) Where a candidate, side or slate receives a product or service for consideration that is greater than the fair market value, then that candidate, side or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the actual consideration.
- (3) The fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the price that any other candidate, side or slate would have to pay for a comparable product or service as a guideline.
- (4) Candidates, sides and slates shall have the right, but not the obligation, to receive an assessment of a product or service's fair market value in advance.
- (5) A candidate, side or slate wishing to receive a fair market value assessment in advance shall make a written request to the C.R.O, which shall include
 - a. a full and accurate description of the product or service;
 - b. the supplier of the service, along with contact information for the same; and
 - c. the candidate, side or slate's estimation of the product or service's fair market value, and a rationale for same.
- (6) Where a complete request under Section 56(5), has been submitted to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall respond with a decision within eight (8) working hours.

57. General Labour

For purposes of Section 55, general labour and any expertise had by a significant portion of the population, including, but not limited to, poster design, web page design, and web page programming, shall be considered to have a fair market value of zero.

58. Right to Vote

- (1) Each member shall be entitled to cast one (1) ballot, except the C.R.O. who shall be entitled to cast a ballot ~~only under the circumstances set out in Sections 63(9) and 65(2).~~ as outlined in Section 68(2).
- (2) Where a member is found to have a cast more than one (1) ballot, only one ballot shall be counted.
- (3) All votes cast shall be by secret ballot.

59. Voting Days

- (1) Voting shall be conducted at times determined and advertised by the C.R.O.
- (2) No voting, other than a maximum of one (1) advance poll, shall be conducted prior to the D.I.E. Board ruling on all appeals covered by Section 73.

60. Voting

- (1) The C.R.O. shall conduct balloting by any means that provide precise, accurate results, and may use multiple methods in any combination.

- (2) At each polling station, there shall be a notice to voters that candidates are elected individually to each position, which shall also explain the balloting procedures.
- (3) On each ballot, there shall be an explanation of the balloting procedures, which shall include, at minimum, the following
 - a. that “None of the Above” shall be considered a candidate;
 - b. that voters shall rank each candidate according to their preferences;
 - c. that a portion of the ballot shall be considered spoiled where any of the conditions set out in Section ~~361~~(43) are met; and
 - d. that voters shall be permitted to rank as many as all or as few as zero of the candidates for each position.

61. Limitations During Voting

- (1) During voting, candidates, ~~campaign managers~~side managers, members of sides and volunteers shall not encourage members to vote or engage in any campaign activities.
- (2) During voting, candidates, ~~campaign managers~~side managers, and registered members of sides shall not be within twenty (20) feet of any polling station except to vote themselves.

62. Ballots

- (1) For each ballot the rank order of candidates shall be rotated randomly.
- (2) For each position ballots shall list all candidates, followed by “~~none~~None of the ~~above~~Above”
- (3) For the purposes of Section 60(3) (b) “None of the Above” ~~s~~shall be considered a candidate.
- (4) Where a referenda or plebiscite question(s) is/are on the ballot, the ballot shall list “yes” followed by “no” for each referendum or plebiscite question.
- (5) Where a voter’s intention is clear, that voter’s ballot shall be counted.

63. Balloting and Counting– Executive, Board of Governors and Councillor Elections

- (1) All elections shall be divided into Class A and Class B elections.
- (2) Class A elections
 - a. shall include the 2012 General Elections and any subsequent election.
 - b. shall be subject to the ballot counting mechanism outlined in §63(4) through §63(18) and §63(28) through §63(30).
- (3) Class B elections
 - a. shall include elections that occur before the 2012 General Elections.

- b. shall be subject to the ballot counting procedure outlined in §63(4) through §63(6) and §63(21) through §63(30).
- (4) Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her ~~choices~~ preference for each position using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first preference~~choice~~, and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.
- ~~(1) A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate him/her as their first choice in order to be elected.~~
- (5) Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.
- (6) A section of a voter's ballot shall be considered spoiled where
- that voter has indicated the same number for more than one (1) candidate;
 - that voter has not included the number one (1) next to any candidate;
 - that voter has indicated more than one (1) number next to the same candidate;
 - that voter has used non-consecutive numbers; or
 - that voter has left all candidates in a race unranked.
- (7) Once the total number of ~~valid~~ ballots is established for each race, the minimum quota of votes required for a candidate to be elected is calculated. This quota shall be determined by the sum of one plus the quotient of the total number of valid ballots cast for the race divided by the sum of the number of seats being contested plus one, with any remainders being ignored.
- ~~(1) In the event that no candidate receives a majority of first place votes in a given race, the candidate with the fewest first place votes shall be eliminated.~~
- (8) All ballots shall be examined and, on the first count, each ballot shall be assigned as a ~~vote~~ to the candidate who is indicated to be the voter's first preference.
- (9) If a candidate on the first count has a number of ~~votes~~ ballots exactly equal to the quota established in Section 63(74), that candidate is declared elected.
- (10) If one candidate on the first count has a number of ~~votes~~ ballots greater than the quota established in Section 63(74), the candidate is declared elected and the number of ~~votes~~ ballots in excess of the quota is recorded as a surplus. All of the elected candidate's ballots are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at a fractional transfer value, as determined by the quotient of the surplus ~~votes~~ ballots cast for the elected candidate divided by the total number of ~~votes~~ ballots received by the elected candidate.

- (11) If two or more candidates on the first count have a number of ~~votes~~ballots greater than the quota established in Section 63(74), all of these candidates shall be declared elected. The ballots of the candidate with the largest number of ~~votes~~ballots will be re-examined first and assigned at a transfer value to candidates not yet elected according to the next available preference on the ballots. The ballots of the other elected candidates will then be re-examined, and the corresponding surplus ~~votes~~ballots will be distributed to candidates not yet elected at a fractional transfer value as outlined in Section 63 (118), according to the next available preference on the ballots in a descending order corresponding to the number of ~~votes~~ballots received by the elected candidate.
- (12) If at any point a candidate receives a number of ~~votes~~ballots greater than the quota established in Section 63(74) as a result of a transfer of ~~votes~~ballots from an elected candidate, the candidate is declared elected, and the number of ~~votes~~ballots in excess of the quota is recorded as a surplus. All of the elected candidate's ballots are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected or eliminated according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at a fractional transfer value depending on the nature of the ballot. ~~†~~
- a. For ballots received by the elected candidate on the first count, the fractional transfer value is as set out in Section 63(118), and;
 - b. for ballots received as a the result of a transfer of ~~votes~~ballots from previously-elected candidates, the transfer value shall be the product of the surplus ~~votes~~ballots cast for the elected candidate multiplied by the transfer value of the ballots as received by the previously-elected candidate, all divided by the total number of ~~votes~~ballots received by the elected candidate.
- (13) In the event that no remaining candidates have received a number of ~~votes~~ballots greater than the quota established in Section 63(74), the candidate with the fewest number of votes is eliminated. All ballots cast for the eliminated candidate are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected or eliminated according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at the full value as received by the eliminated candidate.
- (14) The ballot-counting process as outlined in Section 63(74)-(13~~10~~) shall continue until all but one of the candidates to be elected have been elected, and only two candidates remain in the count. At this point the candidate with the highest number of ~~votes~~ballots shall be declared elected.
- (15) If, during the transfer of ballots, a ballot indicates remaining preferences that only include candidates who have been already elected or eliminated, the ballot is put aside as exhausted.
- (16) In the event that two or more candidates have the same number of ~~votes~~ballots on the first count, and this number is greater than the quota established in Section 63 (74), the candidate whose surplus ~~votes~~ballots are re-distributed first shall be decided by:

- a. If the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O., then that candidate's surplus ~~votes~~ballots shall be re-distributed first, or
 - b. If the C.R.O. is ineligible to vote in that race or has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, or in the event that more than one candidate remains tied following the casting of a vote as prescribed in Section 63(16~~13~~)(a), then the candidate whose surplus ~~votes~~ballots are re-distributed first shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- (17) In the event that no candidate has a number of ~~votes~~ballots on the first count greater than the quota established in Section 63(74) and two or more candidates have the same number of ~~votes~~ballots, this number being the smallest number of ~~votes~~ballots received by any candidate, then the candidate who is eliminated shall be decided by:
- a. If there are only two candidates who are tied and the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O., than the tied candidate who was not indicated as such shall be eliminated, or
 - b. If the C.R.O. is ineligible to vote in that race or has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, or in the event that more than one candidate remains tied following the casting of a vote as prescribed in Section 63(17~~14~~)(a), then the candidate who is eliminated shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- (18) If, at any stage of the count other than the first count, two or more candidates have the same number of ~~votes~~ballots, that number being either greater than the quota established in Section 63(74) or the lowest number of ~~votes~~ballots provided that no other candidates have a number greater than the quota, the candidate who is declared elected first, or who is not excluded, shall be:
- a. The candidate with the larger number of ~~votes~~ballots on the first count in which a differential existed between the number of ~~votes~~ballots received by each candidate, or
 - b. The candidate whose name is ranked highest on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O, if the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and no differential in the number of ~~votes~~ballots has existed between the candidates at any preceding count, or
The candidate whose name is selected by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O., if the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the in the race and no differential in the number of ~~votes~~ballots has existed between the candidates at any preceding count.
- (19) A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate him/her as their first choice in order to be elected.

- (20) In the event that no candidate receives a majority of first place votes in a given race, the candidate with the fewest first place votes shall be eliminated.
- (21) Any voter who has indicated an eliminated candidate with a number shall have the candidate marked with the next highest number following the number by which the eliminated candidate has been indicated take the place of the eliminated candidate, and so on, in such a way that all candidates indicated by that voter as less desirable than the eliminated candidate are registered as being one (1) step more desirable than originally indicated.
- (22) Where a ballot is left with no first place vote for a given race, the section of that ballot in question shall be considered spoiled.
- (23) Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, the candidate that had the fewest first place votes on the first count in which a differential existed shall be eliminated.
- (24) Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first places votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, and the C.R.O is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.
- (25) Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first places votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, and the C.R.O is a not a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race, then the candidate to be eliminated shall be selected from those candidates with the fewest first place votes by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- (26) The process set out for Class B elections as defined by §63(3)~~in Section 63~~ shall continue for each position until such a time as a candidate receives a majority of first place votes for that position at which point that candidate shall be declared the victorious and removed from the ballot, and the process repeated with the remaining candidates not yet declared victorious.
- (27) The process set out ~~in~~ for Class B elections as defined by §63(3)~~Section 63~~ shall continue for each position until such time as all the candidates are preferentially declared victorious.
- (28) Candidates shall be allocated seats as specified in Bylaw 100.
- (29) Where "None of the Above" is declared victorious, no further candidates shall be declared victorious.

- i. Additionally for General Faculties Council Elections, notify the Vice President (Academic) of the Students' Union and the Secretary of the General Faculties Council of the final results in writing;
- d. post unofficial results at any time, including during counting;
- e. advertise final results in the first available edition of the student newspaper after the posting of final results as set out in Section 6468(1) (b); and
- f. store the ballots in a secure location for at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

(2) The C.R.O. shall prepare a paper ballot at the before the close of voting, as if their capacity as C.R.O. did not restrict their voting privileges. The C.R.O. shall place this ballot in a sealed and signed envelop and give it to the Deputy Returning Officers D.R.O. before any results from the election are available to the C.R.O.. The envelope shall be opened only if the C.R.O.'s vote is required to break a tie as outlined in Section 63(16-1813-15) and Section 65(2). At this point, a D.R.O. shall open the envelope and oversee the C.R.O. implement the tie-breaking mechanism as outlined in Section 63(16-1813-15). If this procedure is not followed, the C.R.O.'s ballot will be considered spoiled.

69. Recounts

- (1) A request for a recount shall be granted by the C.R.O. where
 - a. the request is in writing and signed by a member;
 - b. the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of Election results as set out in Section 68(1) (b); and
 - c. the difference between the votes of the victor and those of the second place candidate or side on the final count is less than two percent (2%) of the total votes cast.
- (2) The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently for any reason.
- (3) The C.R.O. shall post the results of any recount within twenty-four (24) working hours of the recount being completed.

70. Complaints

- (1) The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which shall require complaints to indicate
 - a. their names and student identification numbers;
 - b. the specific bylaw and section, rule, or regulation that has allegedly been contravened;
 - c. the specific individual or group that is alleged to be in contravention;
 - d. the specific facts which constitute the alleged contravention; and
 - e. the evidence for these facts.
- (2) Where a complaint is received within twelve (12) working hours of the alleged contravention, and where the original complaint form is provided to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall rule on that complaint.

- (3) All appeals of the C.R.O.'s rulings, with the exception of those arising out of voting and Election results, shall be heard and ruled upon by the D.I.E. Board prior to the commencement of voting.
- (4) No appeal shall be considered by the D.I.E. Board unless it is received within twelve (12) working hours of the C.R.O.'s ruling being posted.
- (5) Where a complete appeal is received, the D.I.E. Board shall convene a hearing within twelve (12) working hours of the appeal being submitted.
- (6) The D.I.E. Board shall, at the meetings set out in Section 73, either
 - a. rule on all appeals; or
 - b. order a delay to the Election, Referenda or Plebiscite.
- (7) No appeal shall exist from a ruling of the D.I.E. Board on an appeal of a ruling by the C.R.O.

74. Multiple Coinciding Elections

- (1) The Election shall be divided into as many parts as there are councils for which elections are occurring.
- (1) All rules concerning nominations, campaign activities, campaign expenses, balloting, and penalties apply to a candidate per contested part of the Election and not to the candidate between multiple parts of the Election;
- (2) A slate may encompass candidates contesting multiple parts of the election.

75. By-Election - Executive Committee and Board of Governors

- (1) Where another Election is required by virtue of Section 63(291714) or Section 63(301815), the new Election shall be governed by this bylaw with the exception of Sections 10 through 12, 17, and Sections 24 through 26, ~~which shall not apply.~~
- (2) The Campaign for the new Election shall begin a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the commencement of voting as set out in Section 75(4).
- (3) The nomination deadline for the new Election shall occur a minimum of thirteen (13) days prior to the commencement of voting as set out in Section 75(4).
- (4) The voting for the new Election shall occur on two (2) consecutive weekdays to be determined and announced by the C.R.O. at least twenty-one (21) days in advance.

76. By-Election – General Faculties Council and Students' Council

- (1) Where vacancies exist in positions filled under this bylaw on August 15 of any year, the C.R.O. shall call a by-election to take place in September or October of that year for all those positions vacant on August 15.

**CANADIAN ALLIANCE OF STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS (CASA) / ALLIANCE CANADIENNE
DES ASSOCIATIONS ÉTUDIANTES (ACAE)**

CORPORATE SEAL

1. The seal, an impression whereof is stamped in the margin hereof, shall be the seal of the corporation.

HEAD OFFICE

2. Until changed in accordance with the Act, the head office of the corporation shall be in the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

3. The Canadian Alliance of Student Associations / Alliance Canadienne des Associations Étudiantes shall be a bilingual organization in both official languages of Canada.

CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

4. Membership in the corporation shall be limited to independent Canadian corporate entities charged with the representation of post-secondary student bodies interested in furthering the objects of the corporation and shall consist of any such entity whose application for admission as a member has received the approval of the board of directors of the corporation and which has entered into a membership agreement with the corporation.

5. The corporation shall maintain two (2) levels of membership: Associate Membership and Full Membership. The purposes of Associate Membership shall be to provide for a mechanism that allows the phasing-in to and phasing-out of Full Membership in the corporation. An applicant for membership may apply for Associate Membership or Full Membership. Associate Membership can only be maintained by a member for a maximum of twenty-four (24) months ~~after which, after which, in the absence of an Associate Member's express written notice to the corporation to terminate its membership in the corporation, notwithstanding a resolution of the board of directors to extend the term of associate membership, the associate member must determine to become a Full Member, or revert to non-member status, such membership shall be converted automatically to a Full Membership in the corporation.~~

Associate Members shall have the right to attend all meetings of the membership, speak at meetings of the membership and participate in break out discussions. Associate Members shall also have the right to move

motions and second motions at meetings of the membership, but shall have no right to vote. Full Members shall enjoy the same rights as Associate Members and have the right to vote by person or proxy at all meetings of the membership.

6. Each member shall appoint upon its admission to the Corporation and from time to time, by written notice to the Corporation, a representative who shall have authority to represents its interests as a member.

7. The assessment and manner of collection of membership fees or dues shall be as determined and approved at a meeting of the membership.

8. Where a Full Member is considering its withdrawal from CASA it must convert its Full Membership into Associate Membership for a period of Twelve (12) months. No change of status shall be permitted unless CASA has been provided thirty (30) days written notice of the Full Member's intention to submit a motion to convert its membership status in CASA ~~to its constituent body~~. Such change of status then shall take effect upon the receipt by CASA of a certified resolution of ~~the constituent body of~~ the Full Member confirming its desire to convert its status or upon such later date as designated by the Full Member. Any fees then outstanding as a Full Member of CASA for the balance of CASA's financial year in which the change of status is sought shall continue to be due and owing to CASA. Upon the expiry of such twelve-month period, if the then Associate Member continues to consider the termination of its CASA membership, CASA must be provided thirty (30) days written notice of the Associate Member's intention to submit a motion to terminate its membership status in CASA ~~to its constituent body~~. Such termination of membership then shall take effect upon the receipt by CASA of a certified resolution ~~of the constituent body~~ of the Full Member confirming its desire to terminate its membership or upon such later date within CASA's then financial year as designated by the Associate Member. Any fees then outstanding as an Associate Member of CASA for the balance of CASA's financial year in which the termination of status is sought shall be immediately due and owing to CASA.

9. Any member may be expelled from membership in the corporation by a vote of three-quarters (3/4) of the members at an annual meeting, provided that such member is provided written notice of the intended expulsion and an opportunity to respond to the grievances giving rise to such vote at least thirty (30) days prior to the vote to expel.

MEMBERS' MEETINGS

10. The corporation shall have a minimum of two meetings of the membership annually.
11. The annual general meeting shall be held prior to, and no earlier than 4 months prior to, the end of the financial year.
12. At every annual general meeting, in addition to any other business that may be transacted, the reports of the directors and officers, the financial statements and the report of the auditors shall be presented and auditors shall be appointed for the ensuing year. The members may consider and transact any business either special or general at any meeting of the members. The board of directors or the ~~chief compliance officer~~board chair shall have the power to call a general meeting of the members of the corporation. The board of directors shall call a special general meeting of members on written requisition of not less than 25% of the membership.
13. Two-thirds of the registered voting members present in person at a meeting will constitute a quorum.
14. Sixty (60) days written notice shall be given to each member of any annual or special general meeting of members. Notice of any meeting where special business will be transacted shall contain sufficient information to permit the member to form a reasoned judgement on the decision to be taken. Notice of each meeting of members must remind the member that they have the right to vote by proxy.
15. Each voting member present at a meeting shall have the right to exercise one vote. A member may, by means of a written proxy, appoint a proxyholder to attend and act at a specific meeting of members, in the manner and to the extent authorized by the proxy. A proxyholder must be a delegate of a member of the corporation.
16. A ~~majority of the votes cast by~~vote of 2/3rds of the members present and carrying voting rights shall determine the question in meetings except where the vote or consent of a greater number of members is required by the Act or these By-laws.
17. No error or omission in giving notice of any annual or general meeting or any adjourned meeting, whether annual or general, of the members of the corporation shall invalidate such meeting or make void any proceedings taken thereat and any member may at any time waive notice of any such meeting and may ratify, approve and confirm any or all proceedings taken or had thereat. For purpose of sending notice to any member, director or officer for any meeting or otherwise, the address of the member, director or officer shall be their last address recorded on the books of the corporation.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

18. A Special Resolution must be passed with the approval of two-thirds (2/3) majority of the Full Members representing at least fifty percent (50%) plus one of the full-time equivalent students represented within CASA at a General Meeting. The following categories of motions shall be considered special resolutions:

- a) election of a national director;
- b) ratification or removal of the officers of the corporation or the members of the board of directors;
- c) adoption of the budget;
- d) amendment of the by-law;
- e) ~~motion to~~ dissolve the organization;
- f) amending the assessment and manner of collection of membership fees or dues;
- e)g) adoption and amendment of policies, where a policy shall mean a lobbying position adopted by CASA;

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

19. The following shall be elected to serve on the board of directors by the membership of the corporation:

- a) the ~~chief compliance officer, ex officio, who shall be chair~~board chair, ex officio;
- b) the Secretary (1), *ex-officio*;
- c) the Treasurer (1), *ex-officio*;
- d) Directors-at-Large (4);

20. The property and business of the corporation shall be managed by a board of directors, comprised of a minimum of three directors. Directors must be individuals, 18 years of age, with power under law to contract. Directors need not be a delegate of a member.

21. Directors shall be elected individually for a term of Twelve (12) months by the members at an annual meeting of members.

22. The office of a director shall be automatically vacated:

- a) if at a special general meeting of members, a resolution is passed by the members present at the meeting that the director be removed from office;

- b) if a director has resigned from office by delivering a written resignation to the secretary of the corporation;
- c) if a director is found by a court to be of unsound mind;
- d) if a director becomes bankrupt or suspends payment or compounds with their creditors;
- e) on death;

provided that if any vacancy shall occur for any reason in this paragraph contained, the board of directors by majority vote, may, by appointment, fill the vacancy with an authorized representative of a member of the corporation, until the next meeting of the membership.

23. The directors shall serve as such without remuneration and no director shall directly or indirectly receive any profit from their position as such; provided that a director may be paid reasonable expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any director from serving the corporation as an officer or in any other capacity and receiving compensation there for.

24. A retiring director shall remain in office until the dissolution or adjournment of the meeting at which their retirement is accepted and their successor is elected.

POWERS OF DIRECTORS

25. The directors of the corporation may administer the affairs of the corporation in all things and make or cause to be made for the corporation, in its name, any kind of contract which the corporation may lawfully enter into and, save as hereinafter provided, generally, may exercise all such other powers and do all such other acts and things as the corporation is by its charter or otherwise authorized to exercise and do.

26. The directors shall have power to authorize expenditures on behalf of the corporation from time to time and may delegate by resolution to an officer or officers of the corporation the right to employ and pay salaries to employees. The directors shall have the power to enter into a trust arrangement with a trust company for the purpose of creating a trust fund in which the capital and interest may be made available for the benefit of promoting the interest of the corporation in accordance with such terms as the board of directors may prescribe.

27. The board of directors is hereby authorized, from time to time

- a) to borrow money upon the credit of the corporation, from any bank, corporation, firm or person, upon such terms, covenants and conditions at such times, in such sums, to such an extent and in such manner as the board of directors in its discretion may deem expedient;
- b) to limit or increase the amount to be borrowed;
- c) to issue or cause to be issued bonds, debentures or other securities of the corporation and to pledge or sell the same for such sums, upon such terms, covenants and conditions and at such prices as may be deemed expedient by the board of directors;
- d) to secure any such bond, debentures or other securities, or any other present or future borrowing or liability of the company, by mortgage, hypothec, charge or pledge of all or any currently owned or subsequently acquired real and personal, movable and immovable, property of the corporation, and the undertaking and rights of the corporation.

28. The board of directors shall take such steps as they may deem requisite to enable the corporation to acquire, accept, solicit or receive legacies, gifts, grants, settlements, bequests, endowments and donations of any kind whatsoever for the purpose of furthering the objects of the corporation.

29. The board of directors may appoint such agents and engage such employees as it shall deem necessary from time to time and such persons shall have such authority and shall perform such duties as shall be prescribed by the board of directors at the time of such appointment.

DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

30. Meetings of the board of directors may be held at any time and place to be determined by the directors provided that ten (10) days written notice of such meeting shall be given to each director. There shall a minimum of one (1) meeting of the board of directors every month. Simultaneous communication methods such as telephone or videoconference shall be considered acceptable methods of attending a meeting and casting a vote. No error or omission in giving notice of any meeting of the board of directors or any adjourned meeting of the board of directors of the corporation shall invalidate such meeting or make void any proceedings taken thereat and any director may at any time waive notice of any such meeting and may

ratify, approve and confirm any or all proceedings taken or had thereat. Each director is authorized to exercise one (1) vote.

31. Two-thirds of the directors in office, from time to time, shall constitute a quorum for meetings of the board of directors. Any valid meeting of the board of directors at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers and discretions by or under the by-laws of the corporation.

INDEMNITIES TO DIRECTORS AND OTHERS

32. Every director or officer of the corporation or other person who has undertaken or is about to undertake any liability on behalf of the corporation or any company controlled by it and their heirs, executors and administrators, and estate and effects, respectively, shall from time to time and at all times, be indemnified and saved harmless out of the funds of the corporation, from and against;

a) all costs, charges and expenses which such director, officer or other person sustains or incurs in or about any action, suit or proceedings which is brought, commenced or prosecuted against them, or in respect of any act, deed, matter of thing whatsoever, made, done or permitted by the director, in or about the execution of the duties of office or in respect of any such liability;

b) all other costs, charges and expenses which the individual sustains or incurs in or about or in relation to the affairs thereof, except such costs, charges or expenses as are occasioned by wilful neglect or default.

OFFICERS

33. The officers of the corporation shall be a national director, a ~~chief compliance officer~~ board chair, a secretary and a treasurer. There is no requirement that an officer be a director or authorized representative of a member of the corporation.

34. Officers, other than the national director, shall be elected individually for a term of Twelve (12) months by the members at an annual meeting of members. Should the office of an officer be vacant at an annual meeting, an election shall be held to fill that vacancy.

35. The officers of the corporation shall hold office for Twelve (12) months from the date of appointment or election or until their successors are elected or appointed in their stead. Officers shall be subject to removal by special resolution of the membership at any time.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

36. The national director shall be responsible for the day-to-day management of the corporation and shall perform such other duties as shall from time to time be imposed by the board of directors and the membership. The national director shall act as the public face of the membership.

37. The ~~chief compliance officer~~board chair shall ensure that all meetings of the corporation and of the board of directors are properly organized and run. The ~~chief compliance officer~~board chair shall see that all orders and resolutions of the board of directors and the membership are carried into effect. The ~~chief compliance officer~~board chair shall act as the public face of the board of directors.

38. The secretary shall ensure that all documents of the membership and board of directors are in good order. The secretary shall assist in the interpretation of governance documents, make recommendations to the membership and board of directors regarding updates to governance documents and ensure that all minutes of the membership are current and posted publicly.

39. The treasurer shall ensure that the finances of the corporation are properly reported to the membership. The treasurer shall prepare the organizational budget for the membership, ensure that regular financials are prepared and reported to the membership, and ensure that an annual audit occurs and is reported to the membership.

40. The duties of all other officers of the corporation shall be such as the terms of their engagement call for or the board of directors requires of them.

COMMITTEES

41. Committees may be formed by resolution of the membership or the board of directors.

EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS

42. Contracts, documents or any instruments in writing requiring the signature of the corporation, shall be signed by any two officers and all contracts, documents and instruments in writing so signed shall be binding upon the corporation without any further authorization or formality. The directors shall have power from time to time by resolution to appoint an officer or officers on behalf of the corporation to sign specific

contracts, documents and instruments in writing. The directors may give the corporation's power of attorney to any registered dealer in securities for the purposes of the transferring of and dealing with any stocks, bonds, and other securities of the corporation. The seal of the corporation when required may be affixed to contracts, documents and instruments in writing signed as aforesaid or by any officer or officers appointed by resolution of the board of directors.

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

43. The minutes of the board of directors shall be posted online upon approval by the board of directors.

FINANCIAL YEAR

44. Unless otherwise ordered by the board of directors, the fiscal year end of the corporation shall be April 30th.

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

45. The by-laws of the corporation not embodied in the letters patent may be repealed or amended by by-law, or a new by-law relating to the requirements of subsection 155(2) of the *Canada Corporations Act*, may be enacted by a majority of the directors at a meeting of the board of directors and sanctioned by a special resolution, provided that the repeal or amendment of such by-laws shall not be enforced or acted upon until the approval of the Minister of Industry has been obtained.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND REPEAL

46. All previous by-laws of the corporation relating generally to the transaction of business and affairs of the corporation are repealed as of the coming into force of these by-laws provided that such repeal shall not affect the previous operation of any by-law so repealed or affect the validity of any act done or right, privilege, obligation or liability acquired or incurred under or the validity of any contract or agreement made pursuant to any such by-law prior to its repeal. All officers or persons acting under any by-law so repealed shall continue to act as if appointed under the provisions of this By-law and all rules and regulations and all resolutions of the corporation with continuing effect passed under any repealed by-law shall continue good and valid except to the extent inconsistent with this by-law and until amended or repealed.

AUDITORS

47. The members shall, at each annual general meeting, appoint an auditor to audit the accounts and annual financial statements of the corporation for report to the members at the next annual meeting. The auditor shall hold office until the next annual meeting provided that the directors may fill any casual vacancy in the office of the auditor. The remuneration of the auditor shall be fixed by the board of directors.

BOOKS AND RECORDS

48. The directors shall see that all necessary books and records of the corporation required by the by-laws of the corporation or by any applicable statute or law are regularly and properly kept.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

49. The board of directors may prescribe such rules and regulations not inconsistent with these by-laws relating to the management and operation of the corporation as they deem expedient, provided that such rules and regulations shall have force and effect only until the next annual meeting of the members of the corporation when they shall be confirmed, and failing such confirmation at such annual meeting of members, shall at and from that time cease to have any force and effect.



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Section 1: Introduction

Vice-President (Student Life) Rory Tighe has been the first executive in the past three years (from my experience on Council) who has taken action to tackle the problem with microwaves on campus. Besides the obvious fact that there are not enough microwaves on campus, Vice-President Tighe has also worked on figuring out who is exactly in charge of maintaining the microwaves. Additionally, he is working on the issue of securitizing microwaves—which has now become a serious issue, with the onset of stolen microwaves on campus this year.

In recent weeks, Vice-President Tighe has sorted a deal with the University of Alberta's Ancillary Services and various Faculty Associations (FAs) in terms of maintenance of the microwaves. The next step has now been centered around where to strategically place microwaves.

In talks with Vice-President Tighe since mid-Fall Semester, I (Arts Councillor Kusmu) have brought up the idea of the Students' Union (SU) conducting a campus-wide survey in asking students exactly where they think microwaves should be. By *engaging and educating* students on the type of initiatives the SU works on, I greatly believe it is way to chip at the ever-so large student apathy on campus.

In addition to my suggestions, Vice-President Tighe took another great route in getting feedback on where to strategically place microwaves by asking all the FAs. Whilst I am not against this route at all, I firmly believe that the SU should pursue both routes—engaging both FAs and the general student population. However, there has been limited feedback from FA's regarding locations for microwaves. In the *Gateway's* "Council Forum – March 17, 2011", it states,

When asked about the current microwave situation across campus, Tighe reported that he was awaiting suggestions for strategic microwave placement from faculty associations, and was talking with Ancillary Services to ensure that the locations had sufficient power for the appliances. However, due to the low response rate from faculty associations, Tighe is prepared to install microwaves in specific locations at his own discretion.

Furthermore, in the *Gateway's* "Council Forum – March 31, 2011", it states, "A question was put to Vice President (Student Life) Rory Tighe concerning the number of faculty associations that had gotten back to him regarding microwave supply and placement on campus. Only two have responded, and Tighe hopes to get feedback at the end of next week after another email."

Since not all FAs have submitted their suggestions to Vice President Rory Tighe and the general student population has not had the chance to directly voice their opinions on this, I have decided to take the initiative by myself and the help of some friends (please view my "Thanks" Section).

Section 2: Methodology

Considering that majority of my course-load is now and my resources are limited, I have conducted a rather cost-effective survey. Outlined below is my methodology:

1. Created a survey with the following questions on www.surveymonkey.com. The link to the survey is <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9F8V7JH>. The survey has been in the works since December and was first promoted publicly as of **March 27 at 7:19PM**. The questions are as follows:

1. Tell us about yourself!

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33%

Before we ask you for your opinions, we want to get to know you a little bit more!

If you are NOT an Undergraduate Student at the University of Alberta, PLEASE DO NOT FILL THIS SURVEY OUT. Sorry.

*** 1. Where do you live?**

- With your Parents/Relative/Family-Member (Don't Pay Rent)
- Off of Campus (Pay Rent)
- On Campus

*** 2. On average, how often do you use a microwave on campus (times per week)?**

- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10
- 11
- 12
- 13
- 14
- 15+
- Once in a while

*** 3. What Faculty are you in?**

- Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences
- Arts
- Augustana
- Business
- Education
- Engineering
- Faculté Saint-Jean
- Law
- Medicine and Dentistry
- Native Studies
- Nursing
- Open Studies
- Pharmacy
- Physical Education and Recreation
- Science

*** 4. What year are you in?**

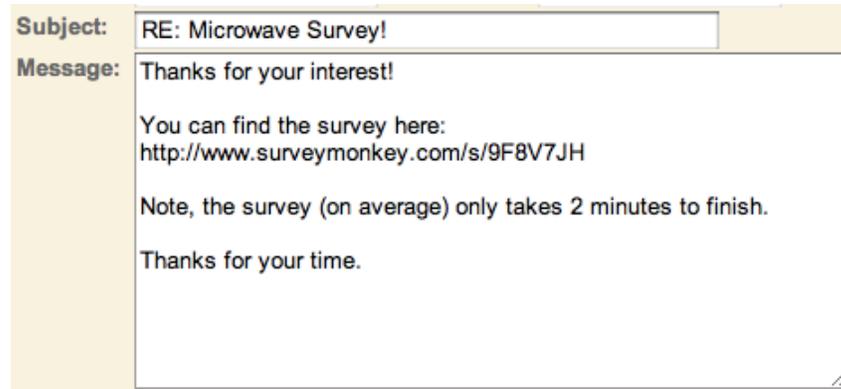
- 1st Year
- 2nd Year
- 3rd Year
- 4th Year
- 5th Year
- 6th Year
- 7th Year

Other (please specify)

*** 5. How 'gross'/'clean' do you generally find the microwaves on campus (on a scale from 1-10, where 1 is extremely gross and 10 is extremely clean)?**

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10

Next



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- 3. Furthermore, I have made various posters and have had various students distribute them. Unfortunately, my poster's placement has violated some regulation according to some members of Council (i.e. posters in SUB). Currently, I am attempting in tearing down these posters that violate building regulations. The posters were up as of **March 29 in the evening.**

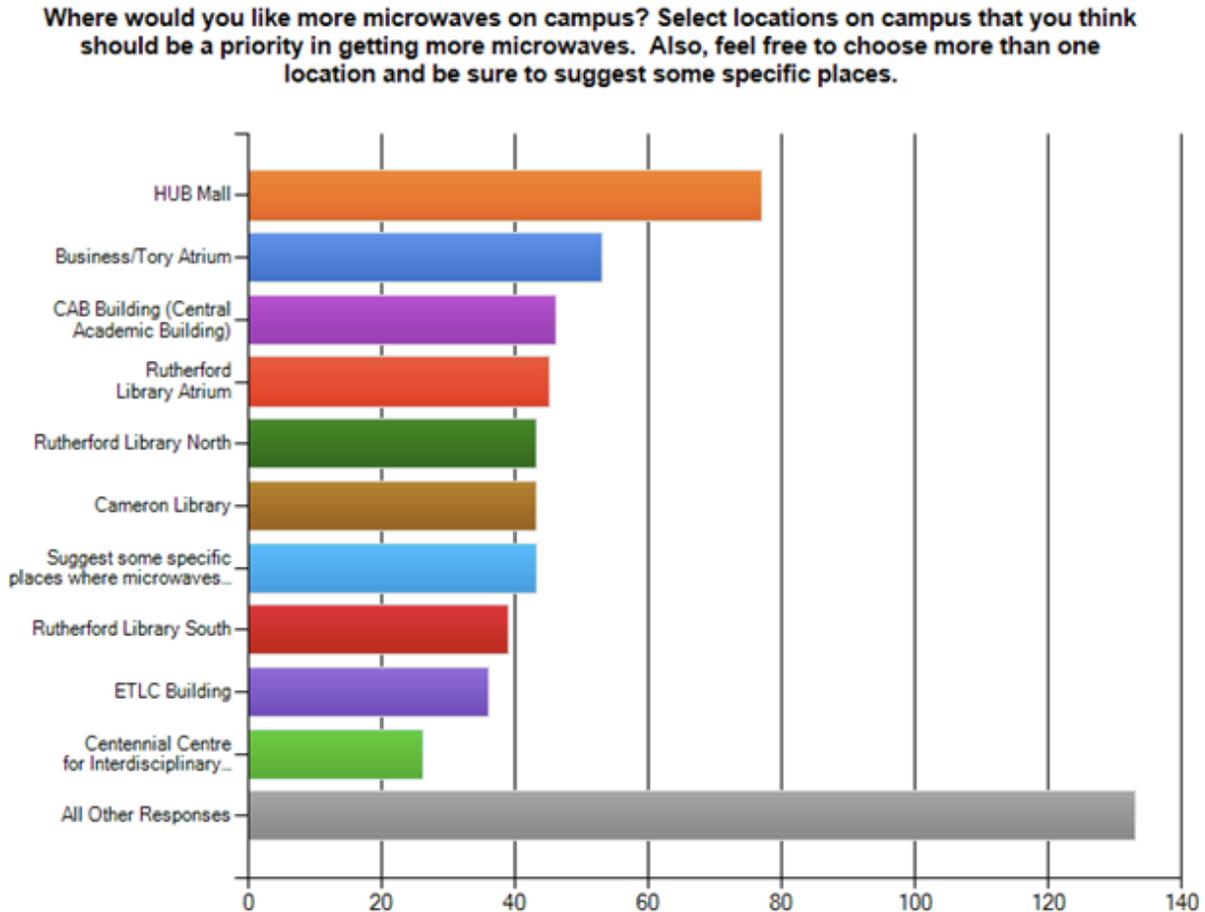


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- 4. I promoted my survey through various methods.
 1. Facebook & Twitter – I posted the link to the survey and asked my friends to post the survey on their own Facebook and Twitter profiles, as well.
 2. Class-room Talks – I conducted various classroom talks and encouraged classmates to email the address, moremicrowavs@gmail.com.

3. Word of Mouth – I talked about it non-stop for 5 days and encouraged my friends and strangers to not only do the survey, but tell their promote it, as well.
- It should be noted that throughout the duration of this survey, I have worked hard in making sure it does not seem as though this is something the Students' Union directly endorses.

Section 3: Results

In 5 days, the survey collected 145 responses. Below is a bar chart of the location preferences for microwaves:



Some of the strategic places that students recommended on campus: (Note: this is in order of priority)

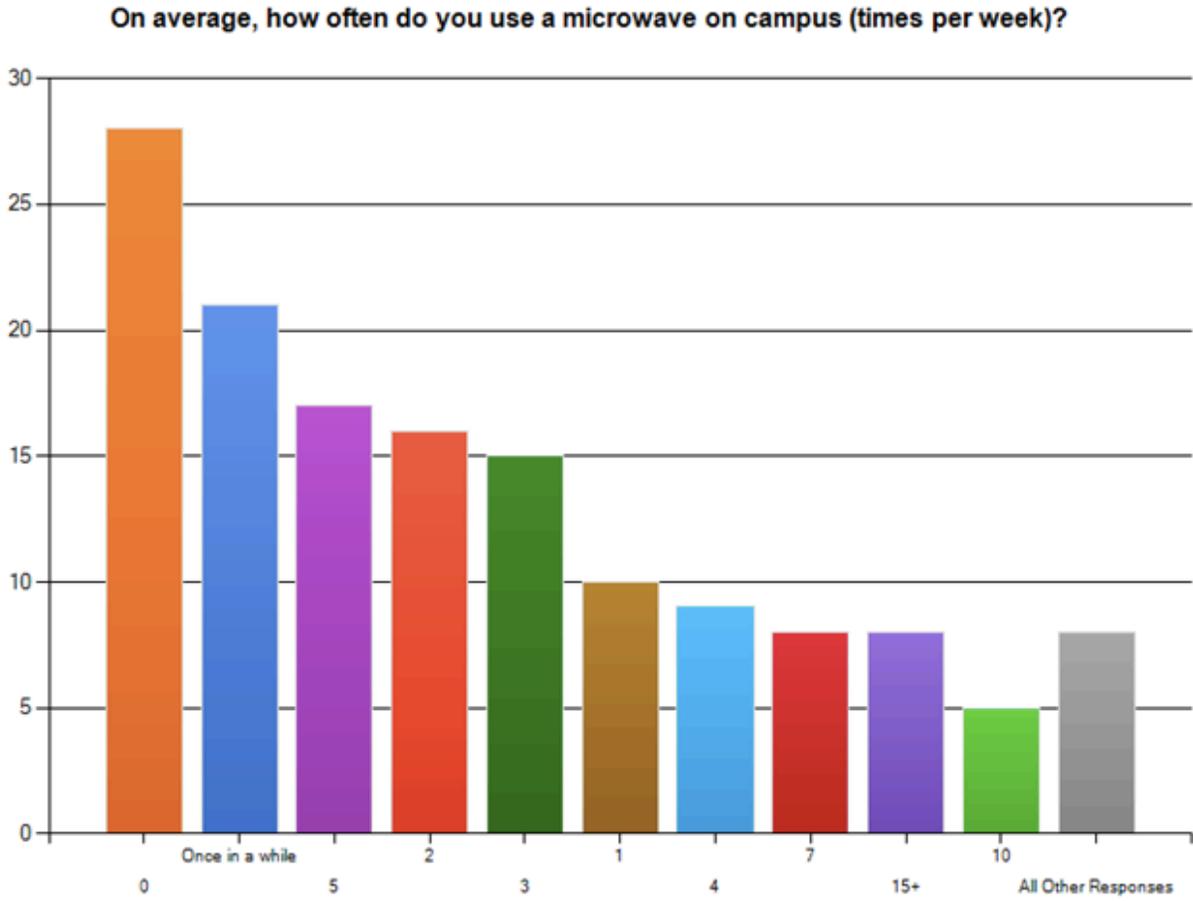
- **HUB Mall** - Unfortunately for anyone who wants to use microwaves in HUB, they have to resort to either asking businesses to microwave their food (which can be extremely difficult) or know that they can use APIRG's microwave (that is when they are open). The most suggested places are the various "Lounges" (aka Study Spaces) in HUB. There are two types of Lounges in HUB. Firstly, there are several Lounges on the main level of HUB (i.e. Arts Court Lounge, Titan Lounge, HUB Lockers & Lounge). Secondly, there are several Lounges that are elevated in HUB (i.e. Garneau Lounge, Riverside Lounge, Rutherford Lounge, Skyview Lounge). The most requested Lounges from students are:
 - **Arts Court Lounge** – It is a great location, near the middle of HUB. Additionally, it has a water fountain (which is rare in HUB). The only problem is that it is often closed at night time and once in a while it is reserved for special events.
 - **Riverside Lounge** – It is a relatively good location. Additionally, it is located on the north side of HUB. The only problem with having it here is that most people would probably not notice

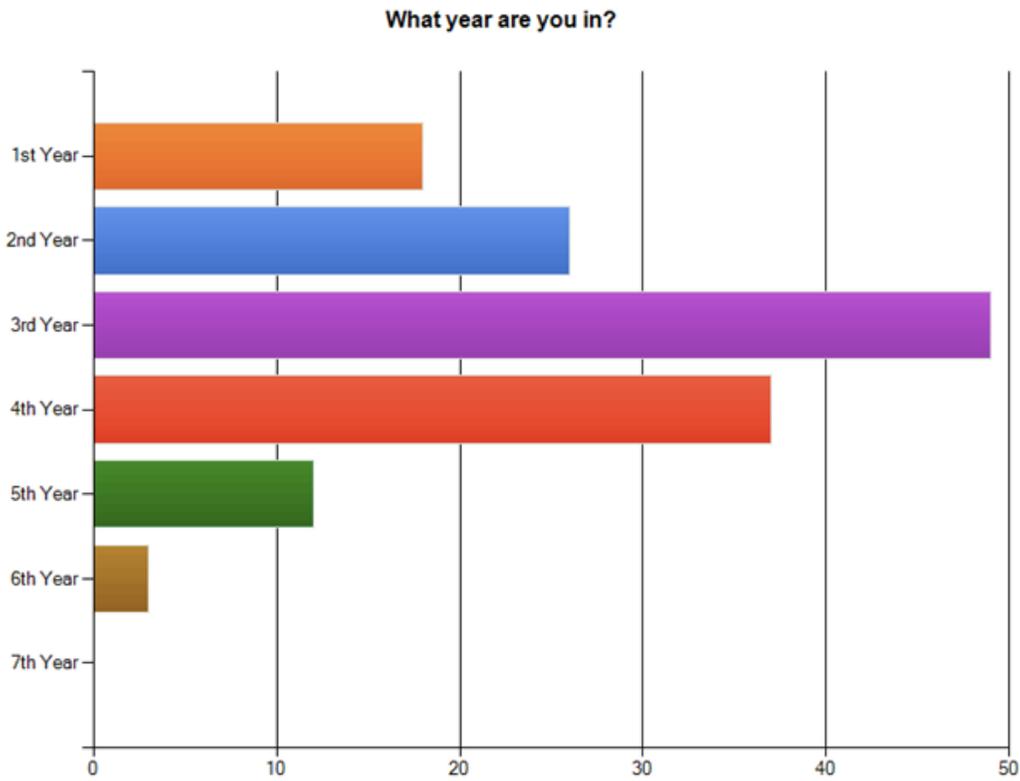
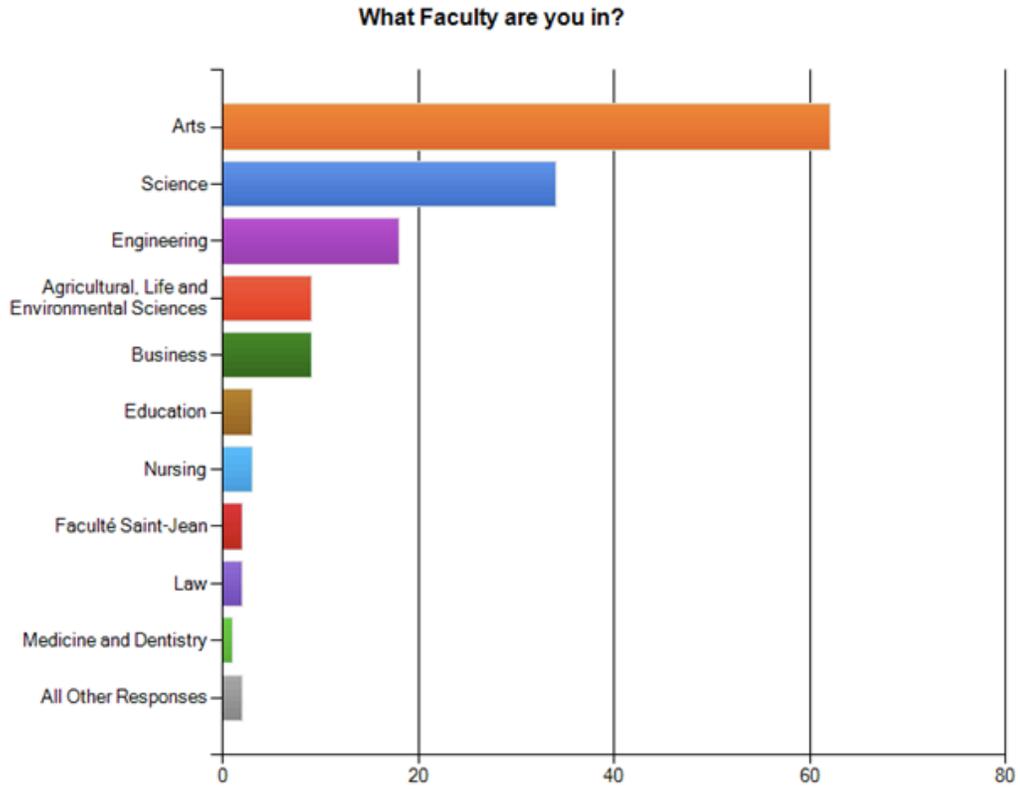
its presence—since it would be quite hidden away. It is recommended to have at least some signage that indicates there is a microwave there.

- **Skyview Lounge** – Even though this was not specifically brought up, this particular lounge is placed in a strategically good place since it is in the south end of HUB.
- **Business/Tory Atrium** - This location gets a heavy amount of foot traffic from a lot of different faculties. A great place suggested was in between the printers and lockers near the “Expresso” café.
- **CAB** - This is pretty much self-explanatory. The places that were most often brought up were CAB Basement and Main Floor (near the Vending Machines closest to the big Tim Hortons or by the Infolink Booth)
- **Rutherford Atrium** - It is clear that students want microwaves located either near or in libraries. However, some of the issues by having a microwave in a library are noise issues, strong smells and etc. A fair compromise is by locating a microwave nearby the library in a populated location, so these annoyance issues by microwaves are less likely to be noticed. Rutherford Atrium by far seems like the best compromise.
- **Cameron Library** - Another great location. It was suggested to place microwaves in the basement. The main floor and second floor was also suggested. But considering that ISSS has only one microwave in the lounge parallel to the entrance of Cameron, maybe having it on the main/second floor is not as a strategic location, but the basement would definitely be convenient.
- **ETLC Building** - ETLC, surprisingly enough, does not have many (or from my knowledge, no) microwaves. ETLC’s Solarium and common area (by Tim Hortons) was suggested
- **CCIS** - CCIS was also commonly brought up. Students suggested having microwaves around the Lecture Halls, somewhere near the pedway that connects CCIS to BioSci and the lounging area near Lecture Hall 1-440 (this would probably be the most strategic spot).
- **Education Building** - Education was also commonly brought up. The most strategic location would first be in the main cafeteria area.
- **Agricultural Building** - it was mentioned that a microwave should be located in “The Pit”—a common area that receives high amounts of foot traffic.
- **Old Arts Building** - The lounge in the Old Arts Building would be a prime spot for a microwave.
- **Chemistry Building** - One student mentioned having a microwave in the Chemistry building.
- **Other places also mentioned** - Law Library, Van Vilet, Katz Building (Main Floor), near the Medical Science Library

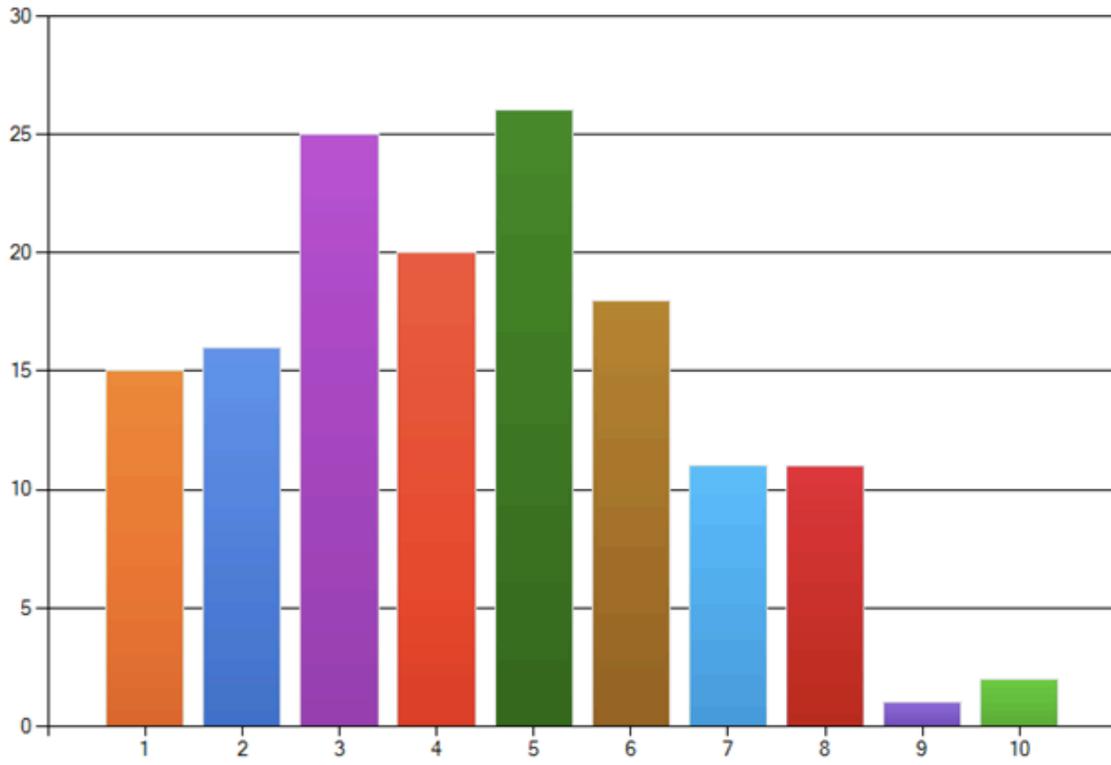
Here are some of the interesting results:

- Majority (nearly 56%) of the students live with family and don’t pay rent.
- Nearly 32% of respondents use a microwave 5-15+ times per week.
 - Nearly 35% of respondents use a microwave 1-4 times a week.
 - Nearly 15% of respondents use a microwave “Once a Week”.
 - Approximately 19% of respondents “Do Not Use” a microwave.
- Nearly 43% of students are from the Faculty of Arts.
 - Nearly 24% of students are from the Faculty of Science.
- Nearly 34% of students are from 4th year.
 - Nearly 26% of students are from 3rd year.
- Nearly 18% of respondents rank microwaves’ cleanliness on campus a 3 and 5.

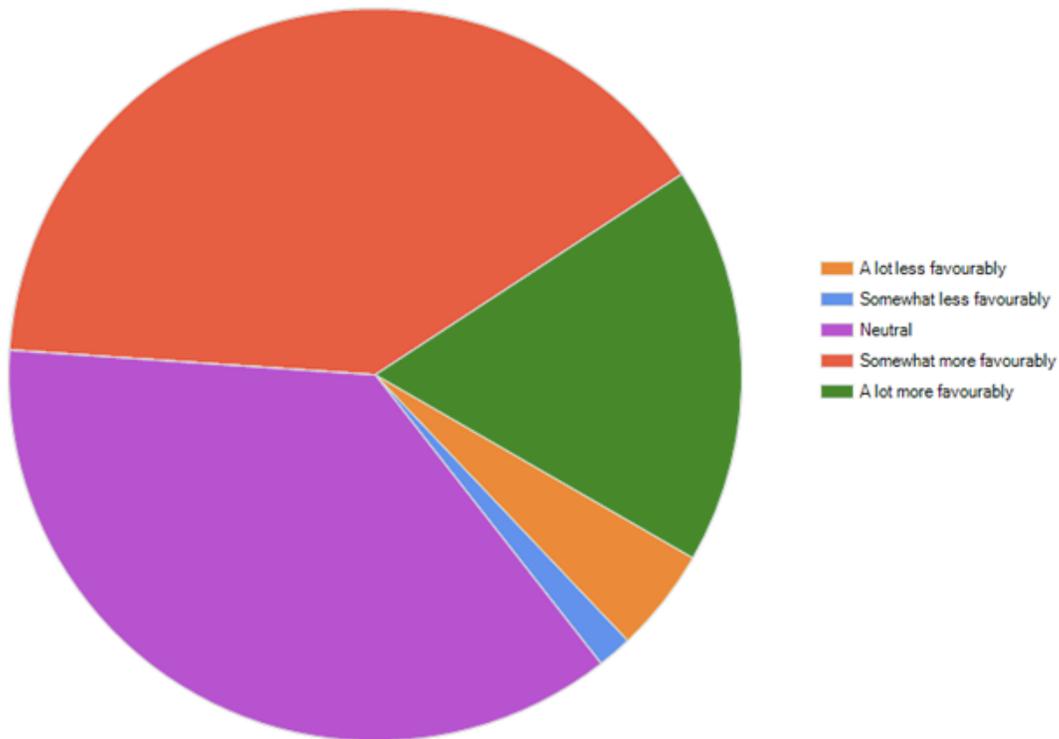




How 'gross'/clean do you generally find the microwaves on campus (on a scale from 1-10, where 1 is extremely gross and 10 is extremely clean)?



How do you view your Students' Union after completing this survey?



Section 4: Security

Sadly enough, microwave theft on campus has been on the rise. So if more microwaves are to be placed on campus, they not only need to be regularly cleaned, but safely and securely in place.

The Collective Body for Arts Students (CBAS) employed a simple bike lock, after one of their microwaves got stolen. However, this was easily cut and the microwave got stolen.

If possible, bolting down the microwaves would be a great solution. Additionally, if possible, employing a bicycle “U-Lock” of some sort would be fantastic (since cutting through those is practically impossible).

Furthermore, there needs to be a microwave audit conducted annually—to not only keep track of potentially stolen microwaves, but ensure that there is proper upkeep of the microwaves.

Appendix: Survey Results

Attached below are the full results from the entire survey:

PAGE: TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF!

1. Where do you live?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
With your Parents/Relative/ Family-Member (Don't Pay Rent)	56.6%	82
Off of Campus (Pay Rent)	33.1%	48
On Campus	10.3%	15
	answered question	145
	skipped question	0
2. On average, how often do you use a microwave on campus (times per week)?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
0	19.3%	28
1	6.9%	10
2	11.0%	16
3	10.3%	15
4	6.2%	9
5	11.7%	17
6	1.4%	2
7	5.5%	8

8	1.4%	2
9	0.7%	1
10	3.4%	5
11	1.4%	2
12	0.7%	1
13	0.0%	0
14	0.0%	0
15+	5.5%	8
Once in a while	14.5%	21
answered question		145
skipped question		0
3. What Faculty are you in?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences	6.2%	9
Arts	42.8%	62
Augustana	0.0%	0
Business	6.2%	9
Education	2.1%	3
Engineering	12.4%	18

Faculté Saint-Jean	1.4%	2
Law	1.4%	2
Medicine and Dentistry	0.7%	1
Native Studies	0.0%	0
Nursing	2.1%	3
Open Studies	0.7%	1
Pharmacy	0.7%	1
Physical Education and Recreation	0.0%	0
Science	23.4%	34
	answered question	145
	skipped question	0
4. What year are you in?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
1st Year	12.4%	18
2nd Year	17.9%	26
3rd Year	33.8%	49
4th Year	25.5%	37
5th Year	8.3%	12
6th Year	2.1%	3

7th Year	0.0%	0
Other (please specify)		0
answered question		145
skipped question		0
5. How 'gross'/'clean' do you generally find the microwaves on campus (on a scale from 1-10, where 1 is extremely gross and 10 is extremely clean)?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
1	10.3%	15
2	11.0%	16
3	17.2%	25
4	13.8%	20
5	17.9%	26
6	12.4%	18
7	7.6%	11
8	7.6%	11
9	0.7%	1
10	1.4%	2
answered question		145
skipped question		0

PAGE: NOW TELL US WHAT YOU WANT!

1. Where would you like more microwaves on campus? Select locations on campus that you think should be a priority in getting more microwaves. Also, feel free to choose more than one location and be sure to suggest some specific places.

	Response Percent	Response Count
HUB Mall	56.2%	77
Rutherford Library North	31.4%	43
Rutherford Library South	28.5%	39
Rutherford Library Atrium	32.8%	45
Business/Tory Atrium	38.7%	53
Business Building	13.9%	19
Cameron Library	31.4%	43
CAB Building (Central Academic Building)	33.6%	46
Law Library	15.3%	21
Telus Building	10.9%	15
FAB Building (Fine Arts Building)	13.1%	18
ETLC Building	26.3%	36
Agricultural/Forestry Building	8.0%	11
Biological Science Building	10.2%	14
Centennial Centre for Interdisciplinary Science (CCIS)	19.0%	26

Education Building	17.5%	24
Van Vilet Building	8.0%	11
Suggest some specific places where microwaves should be strategically placed (e.g. HUB - Arts Lounge; CAB – Beside the basement elevators)	31.4%	43
	answered question	137
	skipped question	8

PAGE: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!

1. How do you view your Students' Union after completing this survey?

	Response Percent	Response Count
A lot less favourably	4.6%	6
Somewhat less favourably	1.5%	2
Neutral	36.6%	48
Somewhat more favourably	39.7%	52
A lot more favourably	17.6%	23
	answered question	131
	skipped question	14

2. If you're comfortable with publicizing your name, please sign your name, Ualberta email address and Faculty. Your information will be used to show that students actually DO have an opinion about where microwaves should be placed on campus and that YOUR voice matters. NOTE: The answers to your questions will not be publicized and kept privately.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Full Name: (e.g. Peter Parker)	98.1%	53
Ualberta Email Address: (e.g. peterparker@ualberta.ca)	98.1%	53
Faculty: (e.g. Arts)	98.1%	53
	answered question	54
	skipped question	91

Appendix: Microwaves Suggestions from Students

Specific Strategic Microwaves Suggestions from the Survey:

Leave microwaves out of libraries - gross and noisy.

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In Hub - arts court lounge!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Tory - 2nd floor Business - 2nd floor lounge

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I like the idea of microwaves in the atriums - that way the delicious (or nasty) smell of your food doesn't bother other students as much - I hate it when people have something awesome smelling in Rutherford! Plus the incessant beeping noises.

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Hey Petros, Cian here, just wanted to say thanks for doing this! The ISSS will be submitting a list of suggested microwave positions in science buildings to Rory in the next week or two as we met with him the other day, and he updated us on his course of action!

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I would like a microwave somewhere in the fine arts building. I generally study there alot. Thanks!

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There are enough. Don't waste student money on more microwaves.

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HUB -Arts Lounge, Business Building -by the library, Telus -in the atrium, Education -in the cafeteria

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EVERYWHERE!!!!!! BLAST THIS SHIT ERRYWHERE!!!! i'd rather pay \$2.00 every semester to have more microwaves, rather than giving Indira Samrasanki ALL MY MONIES!!!

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Tory building; the basement

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HUB Mall needs microwaves, and they should be placed in either the lounges or the main hallway. Education only has microwaves hidden in a hallway of the basement, and there should really be one in the main food court. SUB IS PERFECT...but the SU...not so much. -_- - Telus needs at least one microwave. I mean...the wood podiums near the business centre have microwave inserts, but there is not a microwave to be found, except for Law, FAB, and Macs. CAB NEEDS TO HAVE CLEAN AND WORKING MICROWAVES. CAMERON NEEDS A MICROWAVE IN THE BASEMENT, or something! Rutherford.....is that even an option? How is it that one of the busiest locations of the University of Alberta has NO MICROWAVES anywhere nearby? Like shit, what kind of school is this? One that can pay a million dollars to their president and not pay for a single 30 dollar microwave to be shared between hundreds of students of both the south and north libraries? Mind-blowing shit! Fix yourselves, students union. Fix yourselves ASAP!

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HUB - Arts Lounge, Rutherford Lounge, Riverside Lounge Education - by the food court

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Rutherford atrium, or rutherford north by the spaces leading into each floor

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CAB - basement

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JW Stott Health Sciences Library

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Arts lounge would be sweet. Any of the top lounges like Garneau would also be cool. Rutherford atrium, or the pedway between hub and the rutherford atrium would be awesome.

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ETLC-Solarium

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cab: main floor and basement ccis: around lecture halls van vliet: near all the water fountains cameron: near the entrance and basement hub: every 10 meters along the pedway

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I think creating little kitchen areas in areas that already have microwaves, or ones that will be getting some would be great. If you had a sink, or wash station by them, people could bring reusable containers more often, and help reduce the waste on campus.

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HUB Mall- Any lounge closest to Business/Tory Pedway Rutherford North- 4th or 5th floor seats beside elevators Rutherford Atrium- Beside the water fountain Business/Tory Atrium- Beside the printers that are in between the lockers and the Espresso story Law Library- Main floor beside the front desk CCIS- that area that connects CCIS to BioSci Building

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Every single bathroom

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Arts Court

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Definitely need more microwaves in Rutherford (all areas). That would be the ideal place for me, as I spend a lot of time studying there. I'd really like to see one near the reading room.

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Please put one in med sci library!

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HUB - Arts Court Lounge, Cameron Library - Main Floor

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Spiral stairway between cam 2nd/3rd

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DEAR, whoever invented this survey, I LOVED THIS SURVEY and you for making this survey HUB at the end by the benches in the hall that leads to business building?!?! *****I HAVE ALWAYS DREAMED OF HAVING A MICROWAVE IN CHEM 4th FLOOR but its been shut down for a while so if it is ever coming back to life then CHEM 4th FLOOR NEEDS ONE! ALSO THEY SHOULD PUT AND FILL HOT WATER TANKS IN SUB and CAB SO I CAN BRING SOUP AND INSTANT KD love you forever Larissa Lisowski <--- i dont even care that your not supposed to put your name you need to know how much I love you

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Van Vliet - near the Booster Juice or Vending machines beside the equipment room, easy to find ETLC - near the Solarium CCIS - the lounging area beside 1-440

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HUB: One in every single lounge Business: EXTREMELY DIRTY CAB: Lots of traffic, should be as many microwaves as SUB

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Rutherford Atrium - upstairs near the vending machines; Hub mall - somewhere in the south half, like in the place where the lockers are, by Edo

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ETLC common area (near by Tim Horton)

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Another microwave in HMRC

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Really have no interest in microwaves on campus. Never used one before.

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Katz Building Main Floor

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In the Old Arts building in the little student lounge there. I spent years of my degree in that building and the nearest (working) microwaves were either in SUB or just didn't seem to exist.

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Rutherford Atrium - In the area beside the computers Rutherford South - Common Room, Second floor Education Building - In the cafeteria

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The microwaves in downstairs CAB are sometimes not working so check if they are working. Also, upstairs CAB like some where by the vending machines could be possible? Also, if in cameron, make sure they are

at the second floor, but it is not that quiet, dont put it on the 3rd floor because it is SO quiet and that wont work to have a microwave. I am not usually in HUB, but I mentioned it because I never noticed any microwaves in HUB at all... so it may be a good idea. I think those are the best 3 places. Thank you, and keep up the good work! Really looking forward to some microwaves! Woohoo! :)

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Ag for in the pit. Cab by the infolink booth.

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There are already microwaves in the business building, but there are two REALLY NASTY ones in the whole building. I feel like we need more, and ones in better condition please :) Also, Hub is huge and there are no easily accessible microwaves. My main concern is the condition of the microwaves we already have.

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Anywhere you see a wall socket and a spot to place the microwave. You can get them for like \$60, hell I'll donate some. Better see some clean microwaves

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Arts Court Lounge PLEASE

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Rutherford Atrium is a MUST! So is Business Atrium! And we definitely need one is HUB!

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Specific Strategic Microwaves Suggestions from the Email:

- I'm sick of paying 3000+ a semester, and being forced to either walk a long ass distance for some heated food or pay MORE money. Having no microwaves is a start to a vicious cycle of me losing more and more money.
- EVERYWHERE
- Tory atrium, humanities
- Umm I don't use the microwaves at school because they are always disgusting and there is a line-up. I guess I'm usually in CAB or law so somewhere around there would be great. Congrats!



Season 102 - Episode 21

Starring: Farid ISKANDAR as Aditya RAO, Steven HUYNH, Raphael LEPAGE FORTIN, James EASTHAM, Rory TIGHE with Natalie COX as Chair

Guest Starring: Nick DEHOD

Also Starring (just not this episode): Aden MURPHY, Joel FRENCH, and Antonia JOHNSON

Previously on the P.C.:

1. The P.C. reviewed every single policy.
2. The P.C. reformatted every single policy.
3. The P.C. was the best committee ever.

Next season on the P.C.:

1. The new cast of the P.C. will/shall star in every episode or send a proxy.
2. The new cast of the P.C. will/shall keep the Policy Document up to date.
3. The new cast of the P.C. will/shall continue to be the best committee ever.

(This report used to say “may”, but the P.C. thought either “will” or “shall” was much stronger wording, so the report was amended.)

“Students’ Council, here we come!”

Dear Council,

We finally made it! I'm sure you will all terribly miss reading my reports next year.

Instead of a summary of the last two weeks, I will instead provide you with a summation of the progress that I have made on my goals this year.

Academic Materials:

Early in the year, the SU began discussions with the U of C Students' Union and the Brock Students' Union about creating a student run textbook publishing consortium. These discussions eventually led us to the conclusion that the idea was unlikely to be feasible largely due to the high up front costs, as well as the difficulty in having textbooks adopted for use by instructors.

In Conjunction with the Bookstore, we planned a CRAM conference that was to be held alongside the Campus Stores Canada Conference. Unfortunately, several cancellations from participants in Ontario at the last minute led to the cancellation of the conference.

Not much will be accomplished on this issue until two outstanding things are resolved; the first is the re-negotiation of the Access Copyright agreement, and the second is the updating of the Canada Copyright Act. The federal election is not helping the progress of the last one.

The Council of Faculty Associations

Quite a lot of progress has been made this year with the Council of Faculty Associations. In June, we hired the Student Governance Advisor, who has proved to be an invaluable resource for both COFA and the Students' Union. While originally a one year trial, we have decided to continue our investment, creating a term position, the Student Governance Officer.

Additionally, for the first time in three years, the Faculty of Science has had a functioning Faculty Association, the ISSS. They have done absolutely amazing things in the faculty of science, and, barring anything unforeseen, the ISSS will be recognized as a Faculty Association in the coming weeks.

Undergraduate Research

Since the start of the year, the SU has been pushing for an increased focus on undergraduate research. We have gotten several initiatives in the Academic Plan that will increase the opportunities available for students who wish to participate in research.

I traveled to Calgary to meet with the VP Academic of the UCSU, who was very informative and provided me with many great ideas for our own undergraduate research conference. While we had initially planned to hold the conference in the spring, after discussions with other stakeholders it was

concluded that our target date would not work. Instead Emerson plans to hold a symposium event in the early fall semester next year.

Recently, the University announced a one time injection of \$200 000 in one time funding for the "Undergraduate Research Initiative"

Grading and Assessment

I have worked closely with Dr Robert Luth on his Grading and Assessment report. He has spent the year consulting on the recommendations of his report and is close to finishing a draft policy which will go through governance in the Summer/Fall.

Improving the Student Experience

The "10 things you should know" has been published and a large number of copies have been distributed, and the Academic Policy and Process Review Task Force is in full swing, and is in the process of determining its top priorities. Some of the areas of focus so far include: Transfer credit and study abroad programs, international student support, academic advising, and the Assessment and Grading report.

As well, the Registrar has undergone both an Awards and Admissions process review, which should help to eliminate needless barriers for both students and staff involved in those areas.

Awards Night

Working with the VP Operations and Finance and the Senior Manager of Student Services, we have successfully transitioned the SU awards program to the Student Financial Aid Information Centre. SFAIC was able to hold an incredibly successful awards night.

Also exciting has been the transfer of funds into the Student Involvement Endowment Fund. This should allow us to expand our awards offerings and help more students with the cost of their education.

VP Academic

The VP Academic, Colleen Skidmore and I started the year off with a long and productive meeting about sharing goals and trying learning about each other's role. Since then, we have monthly coffee meetings to discuss University issues and have a good working relationship. I expect Dr Skidmore to be an important point of contact for the SU for the duration of her term.

The Academic Plan

The majority of my time and effort this year has been spent working on the Academic Plan. While I had some reservations about the plan during Fall semester, the final document includes a great deal of positive initiatives for students. Of particular note are the commitments to Undergraduate research, graduate attributes, improved advising, teaching development, and a recognition of the need for affordable housing, childcare and financial aid.

IMHE

In September, the UGAA, Dr Kanuka from the Centre for Teaching and Learning, and I attended the OECD IMHE conference. The conference addressed many issues pertinent to higher education today, including how to manage an institution during times of recession, the role of the for profit sector in public institutions, and issues of access in post secondary education. These sessions provided a global perspective on many issues facing the U of A today.

The most interesting session was on the OECD Assessment of Higher Education Learning Outcomes pilot project that is being undertaken this year. The project hopes to create standardized learning outcomes for students in a particular field of study. The pilot project is being conducted with economics and engineer, and will be completed by the end of 2012.

Graduate attributes are something that the University is very keen on pursuing. They feature prominently in the Academic Plan, and will be important to monitor global trends to ensure that we are implementing a program that is consistent with work already conducted.