
Tuesday, October 4, 2016

Salle du Conseil, Pavillon Lacerte at Campus Saint Jean

We would like to acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Cree, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge continuing colonial violence and respect Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

ORDER PAPER (SC 2016-11)

2016-11/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2016-11/1a Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers.

2016-11/2 PRESENTATIONS

2016-11/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2016-11/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

2016-11/5 OPEN FORUM

2016-11/6 QUESTION PERIOD

2016-11/6a *COUNCILOR CHRISTENSEN TO VICE PRESIDENT BANISTER:*****

To Vice President Banister, could the Vice President please inform Students' Council of the final total of all financial capital and/or project allocation dollars, that were spent as a result of the motion approved by the Executive, in order to put on GovWeek this year, including areas such as promotional materials, advertising, food/beverages, and honoraria, if applicable?

*****VICE PRESIDENT BANISTER'S RESPONSE:*****

Thank you for the question Councillor Christensen. In an Executive Committee meeting held on September 1, 2016 the following motion was approved.

BANISTER/PACHES MOVED TO approve a project allocation not to exceed \$5000.00 for GovWeek as presented.

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Although most of the money was spent before GovWeek, there were a few last minute purchases made in the week itself. As a result I have to wait until October 12th to receive the total updated costs from our accounting department. I will provide the exact numbers of expenditure, including the breakdown of what it was spent on in the final report which will be available later this month. For now, I can confidently say that we finished the week under budget.

2016-11/7

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2016-11/7a

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4. Timelines for nomination packages shall be amended to ensure timely release.
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Please see SC 16-11.01

2016-11/8 **GENERAL ORDERS**

2016-11/9 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2016-11/9a Report from the President.

Please see SC 16-11.02

2016-11/9b Report from the Vice President of Operations and Finance.

Please see SC 16-11.03

2016-11/9c Report from the Vice President Academic.

Please see SC 16-11.04

2016-11/9d Report from the Vice President Student Life.

Please see SC 16-11.05

2016-11/9e Report from the Vice President External.

Please see SC 16-11.06

2016-11/9f Report from the Bylaw Committee

Please see SC 16-11.07

2016-11/9g Executive Committee Motion Tracking

Please see SC 16-11.08

2016-11/9h Students' Council Motion Tracking

Please see SC 16-11.09

2016-11/9i Committee Motion Tracking - By Committee

Please see SC 16-11.10

2016-11/9j Committee Motion Tracking - By Date

Please see SC 16-11.11

2016-11/9k Students' Council Attendance

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There have been editorial changes to 2100, including new definitions, which will be updated for consistency throughout bylaw.

Bill #6 CRO Responsibilities - Second Reading

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1 Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the “Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw.”

2 Definitions

1. In this Bylaw
 - a. “member” shall be anyone who is an undergraduate student currently enrolled in at least one course for credit at the University of Alberta;
 - b. “D.I.E. Board” shall be the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board of the Students’ Union, as set out in Judiciary of the Students Union Bylaw, Bylaw 1500;
 - c. “C.R.O.” shall be the Chief Returning Officer of the Students’ Union;
 - d. “D.R.O.(s)” shall be the Deputy Returning Officers of the Students’ Union;
 - e. “C.A.C.” Shall be the Council Administration Committee; and
 - f. “elections staff” shall refer to the C.R.O. and D.R.O.(s).

3 Mandate

1. This bylaw shall govern the duties and hiring process of the Students’ Union Elections staff.

4 Elections Staff Composition

1. The elections staff shall consist of:
 - a. the C.R.O.; and
 - b. one (1) or more D.R.O.(s) at the discretion of the C.R.O. and as permitted by budgeted availability of funds.

8 Duties of the Elections Staff

1. The duties of the C.R.O. shall include:
 - a. overseeing the implementation of the Elections Bylaw, which includes Bylaws 2100, 2200, 2300, 2400, 2500; and
 - b. such duties required of the C.R.O. under Bylaw 100 and 8100.
 - c. Being the highest responsible manager of the Elections Office and elections staff, particularly when interpreting, enforcing, and delegating authority afforded by the aforementioned Bylaws.
2. The duties of the D.R.O.(s) shall include:
 - a. such duties as may be required of the D.R.O.(s) under the Elections Bylaws, Bylaws 2100, 2200, 2300, 2400, 2500; and
 - b. such assistance as required by the C.R.O. in the discharge of their duties, as set out in Section 8(1).
 - c. In the event the C.R.O. is incapacitated and can not complete the duties of the office, C.A.C. shall assign those duties to another member of the elections staff in the interim.
3. Duties of the elections staff to be found in Bylaw include but are not limited to;
 - a. conducting the balloting process; and
 - b. conducting the elections; and
 - c. the advertisement of elections; and
 - d. submitting to the Speaker, as soon as practically possible, a report containing the results of any election of members to Students' Council; and
 - e. determining the allocation of Councillors before the release of every nomination package and forthwith tabling Students' Council a report detailing the allocation of Councillors and the statistics used to reach that allocation; and
 - f. determining the dates for all nomination deadlines, elections cycles, and voting days; and
 - g. the validation and posting of all nomination packages, plebiscite and referendum petitions; and
 - h. all relevant consultation and committee engagements; and
 - i. duties as prescribed in Bylaw 8100 including the running of plebiscites; and
 - j. with the assistance of Discover Governance the creation and dissemination of Vacancy Petitions.

9 Elections Staff Reporting and Dismissal

1. The C.R.O. shall report directly to Students' Council, and shall be dismissed only by a two thirds (2/3) majority vote of Students' Council on two consecutive meetings, to be held not less than one (1) week apart.
2. The Deputy Returning Officers shall report directly to the C.R.O., and shall be dismissed only by a simply majority vote of the permanent members of C.A.C.
3. Elections staff shall make available any documents, where documents do not breach confidentiality of candidates or elections staff, at the request of C.A.C. within (48) hours.
4. The C.R.O. shall submit to Students' Council a written report prior to end of contract or April 30, whichever comes first.
 - a. Report is to include;
 - i. activities of elections staff over the contracted year; and
 - ii. recommendations for following elections staff and Students' Council; and
 - iii. statements, as available, from all elections staff; and
 - iv. recommended changes to elections Bylaws; and
 - v. elections staff budget.
 - b. Final installment of remunerations for the C.R.O. shall be made contingent on submission of written report outlined in 4(a).

10 Advertisement

1. The elections staff shall develop an advertisement and elections strategy to communicate the release of nomination packages, nomination deadlines, and elections which is to be presented by the C.R.O. to Students' Council at a minimum of thirty (30) days before the release of Executive Committee nomination packages. This strategy shall include at a minimum:
 - a. a plan to advertise in a student publication(s), including availability of nomination packages, nomination deadlines, and dates of elections; and
 - b. a plan to communicate the availability of nomination packages, nomination deadlines, and elections with Faculty Associations and Departmental Associations; and
 - c. a plan to communicate with University of Alberta staff and administration over the impending elections period; and
 - d. a proposed timeline for elections; and
 - e. an approximate budget of the advertisement strategy.
2. The elections staff shall develop a written advertisement strategy to communicate the availability of nomination packages, nomination deadlines, and elections dates for the fall by-elections to be submitted to C.A.C. no later than August 15. This strategy shall include at a minimum:
 - a. the number of available seats and;

- b. a plan to communicate the election timeline to relevant Faculty Associations and Departmental Associations.

11 Classroom Talks

1. The elections staff shall be responsible for communicating to the University of Alberta staff and administration that candidates may be speaking to students in the ten (10) minute period before scheduled class hours begin.
 2. The C.R.O. shall provide candidates with a list of staff, departments, and faculties that have requested that candidates not speak between classes.
 3. The C.R.O. is not responsible for the actions of candidates speaking between classes.
 4. The C.R.O. maintains the right to reprimand candidates who speak during scheduled class time without instructor's consent.
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2200/2300

32/24 Campaign Materials

1. The cost of all campaign materials shall be approved by the **elections staff** before being used in campaign activities. Candidates shall provide the elections staff with:
 - a. a written estimate of the cost of the proposed campaign material, including the source of that cost; and
 - b. the complete contents of the proposed campaign material.
2. The **elections staff** shall provide in confidence a written approval or refusal of campaign materials within eight (8) working hours of receiving a request as set out in Section 24 (2).
3. Where a candidate uses a contravenes Section 24(1) the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 39.

33/25 Forbidden Campaign Materials

1. The **elections staff is forbidden from approving** campaign materials that:
 - a. cannot be removed at the end of the Campaign; or

- b. are likely to permanently damage or alter property.
 2. Where a candidate uses a forbidden campaign material, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 39.
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2200

10 Candidate Nomination Deadlines

1. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce nomination deadline for the Executive election no later than November 30.
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September 29th, 2016

To: Students' Council 2016 – 17

From: Fahim Rahman, Students' Union President 2016 – 17

Re: Students' Union Council Report #11

Hi Council,

The events don't seem to stop! Gov Week wrapped up not too long ago and was a hit with many students. We also had a largely successful turban tying event with many Sikh students on campus in response to some hateful messaging seen on campus last week.

Here is an update on my duties:

1. Turban Tying Event

Arundeeep Singh Sandu reached out to me last week after seeing the hateful posters on campus, and asked about doing a turban tying event on campus. We initially wanted to do it in Quad, but when we saw the paperwork that needed to be done we moved quickly to SUBstage.

The event was a huge success, and couldn't have been done without the Sikh Students' Association, World Sikh Organization and help from plenty of SU staff. I'm hopeful the Sikh Students' Association has found a great starting path to be a successful group on campus.

2. Gov Week

GovWeek has wrapped up, and definitely got the word out to students about how they can get involved with the Students' Union, University governance and beyond. I particularly enjoyed connecting with the other CAUS members who attended Thursday and Friday's events, as well as speaking with MLAs Cortes-Vargas, Shepherd, Dr. Turner, Minister Schimdt and MPs Cooper and Diotte.

3. Sexual Assault Policies & Gender-Based Violence Support

VP Ghossein and I attended the Edmonton launch of the #IBelieveYou campaign, which VP Ghossein spoke at. We also organized a session where we filmed some statements from students talking about why they feel there is a need for the #IBelieveYou campaign in the first place.

The two of us also spoke in a suite at the Eskimos game on the need to tackle gender-based violence in Edmonton. Ms. Colleen Pirie organized the event and it was great to have partners in the Edmonton Eskimos and Huskies on this issue.

4. Tuition & MNIFs

I attended the first meeting of the MNIF Oversight committee with VP Ghossein and VP Paches, where we discussed a new reporting structure for MNIFs. Ideally, this will give more clarity to students on where their fees are going towards in terms of services and programs run by the University.

VP Sandare and I were at the Tuition Budget Advisory Committee, where we asked about plans for domestic and international student tuition after this year. On domestic tuition, we are waiting for a mandate from the provincial government and have contingency plans for student consultation based on when the government announces the mandate.

For international students, the university is not regulated to restrict any increases. I am hopeful that tuition is merely increasing by inflation, as it is a predictable and affordable change, but couldn't get a sense of what was on the table from the Provost.

5. Residences

The Request for Proposals for the Residence Life Task Force has gone live, and VP Ghossein and I are awaiting applications to come to the university before we review them together.

The full executive also attended a consultation meeting on the meal plan, which VP Ghossein, VP Paches and myself had quite a few concerns with.

A month has passed since the Board's motion to collect fees for residence associations by September 1st has not fulfilled. This is a large red flag for myself as a member of the Board of Governors, because the University administration has failed to collect these fees by the September 1st deadline set out.

I'm also concerned because it is within the Post-Secondary Learning Act that the Students' Association governs "the maintain of the association by the levy of membership fees on its members". To me this clearly is being defied by the administration.

To date, we've met four times with the Dean of Students' office on this topic since flagging it on July 7th. We're just about a month past our deadline, and I have no reassurances that this will be done in any timely manner. I suspect more aggressive advocacy will be needed on this front.

6. Board of Governors & GFC

I attended a meeting of Board Finance & Property Committee, where we approved the revised Terms of Reference and Work Plan for the year, as well as a few other asset items. I also took some notes during the Tuition briefing update from TBAC. Board Learning & Discovery Committee also met last week, and covered quite similar items on the agenda.

Lastly, I presented our executive goals to both BLDC and GFC. A question on what the SU is doing in response to textbook costs came up at GFC.

7. Council Business

I attended Bylaw where I presented by feedback after reviewing Bylaws 3000 and 6100. There was only one change that wasn't approved on the basis of not being an editorial change.

8. Presence & Relevancy

There were quite a few events around campus the past two weeks, especially with Alumni Weekend. I spoke at both the University's Celebrate! event, recognizing the hard work students, staff and professors put into the academy. I also connected with some of the first year recipients of awards.

I introduced the award winners at the Alumni Awards Ceremony in the Jubilee, and handed out medals at the Cap n Gown ceremony for the alumni class of 1966.

Finally, the full executive had a great meeting with the core leadership of VP Facilities and Operations Andrew Sharman, who joined us on September 1st, 2016. We covered our respective goals for the year and gave each other some feedback too. We all attended the formal launch of the University's Strategic Plan, For the Public Good (FPG).

That's all from me folks! Looking forward to the next report,



Fahim Rahman
President

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September 29th, 2016

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

Yo council what it do,

Excuse the brief unprofessional lingo, but I'm still on a post Drake/Future high. I went last Wednesday night and oh my god it changed my life and took my voice holyyyyy. But then again, you're talking to Drake's number one, day one fan here, like seriously I was banging that stuff in my high school Pontiac Sunfire. Anyways, lets get down to business, and defeat the huns! Hahahahaha I'm so funny. Anyways anyways, these last couple of weeks have been a mix of fun and work! GovWeek was super busy, and this last week I finally had the chance to get back to projects. Here we goooooooooooooooooooooo!

GovWeek Sessions

I hosted two GovWeek sessions and they went fairly well. The first was the first annual Students' Union Annual General Eating! I welcomed a group of around 15-20 and visited all the food venues of the SU. Starting at Room at the Top, then L'Express, Daily Grind, Undergrind and Dewey's. It was AWESOME. Our staff spoiled us and the tour was excellent. My second session was a run through of how the SU makes its money in how Not-for-profits make money. It was a smaller session, but it was unique because exec from ULethbridge, UCalgary and Mount Royal were up for other reasons and attended. It evolved into a conversation about how SU's can make their money in alternative ways, and it was very productive.

General Faculties Council – Facilities Development Committee

This week, GFC kicked off the Facilities Development Committee for the new academic year. This committee is responsible for looking over all major construction and renovation projects at the U of A, and its-right-up my alley. This meeting was super interesting. The design of the Muskwa House of Learning (FYI: working title) was approved and we talked about the sector plan of the Devonian Botanical Gardens. BUT, most exciting for us, was I gave the committee an informal, trailer for lack of better words, on the Myer Horowitz renos. I'll be bringing a formal proposal in the next couple months!

Green & Gold Day



Last Friday was Green and Gold day! It was a ton of fun. I was part of a hype team in the morning handing out swag with some other members of our staff. During the day, I judged the parade floats and mc'd the pep rally. It was a wicked time mc'ing the pep rally and now that's all I wanna do. Afterwards, we ran a big game of outdoor dodgeball, which had a fairly good turnout. Can't wait for more events!

TurbenEHYEG

This last Tuesday, the Sikh Students Association in partnership with the Students' Union hosted TurbenEHYEG in SUB. The Sikh community welcomed everyone to try out turbans at their turban tying. The event received an immense response from all media outlets and made me proud of our campus community. No matter what we face in terms of negativity or racism, our students will stand up for what's right.

Meeting with new VP Facilities & Operations & team

Just yesterday, the exec and I had a meeting with the new VP Facilities and Operations, Andrew Sharman, and his leadership team. We touched base with his portfolio on their projects, and we told them about our goals. Like GFC FDC, this stuff was right up my alley and it was really cool hearing about their initiatives.

Myer Horowitz Renovations

We had our usual steering committee meeting last week and the meeting focused on ideas for renovations to the lobby and how they could possibly work into the east entrance of the building. Exciting stuff ahead! Also, with GovWeek wrapped up, and the Room at the Top renos under way, I am ready to dive head first into fundraising planning. I am finalizing the ToR and bylaws for the Friends of the Myer Horowitz Theatre Society, creating a capital fundraising plan, and writing our case with our Director of Student Life, Sirina. It really time to buckle down and get ready now!

Any questions? Fire them at me during question period!

CHEEEEERRRSSSS,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. B.', with a long, sweeping underline.



UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

STUDENTS' UNION

OFFICE OF THE

VICE PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS & FINANCE)

Robyn Paches

October 4, 2016

Dear Council,

As the wildness of GovWeek wraps up, I have been slowly getting back into “normal” days at the office. Please find below an update on my work!

1. Projects

GovWeek

GovWeek has concluded. It was a busy week and thank you to everyone who hosted or attended sessions/events. Special shout out to Discover Governance who took a leading role in helping on the ground! My highlights from the week were the Women in Governance Panel, Keynote Mayor Don Iveson, and the Michael Janz talk. I am currently compiling the data and information to write the GovWeek impact report. This report will discuss the processes leading up to GovWeek, the strengths and challenges of the week, as well as the resources allocated to it. I am hoping that this report will be used if GovWeek is to happen again in the future. Although it is still tentative, it appears that we had the highest amount of people running in the by-election and survey data preliminarily shows that GovWeek had a positive impact on that. This report will be completed before our November 1st Council meeting and will be made available to the public online.

Flexible Course Loads

I met with someone from the Office of the Registrar to discuss if students taking fewer than a full course load were eligible for all scholarships and financial aid if they go through Student Accessibility Services (SAS). In general, it was a good meeting as many scholarships allocated by the University do in fact work with SAS to give student accommodation, however that is not always the case with government funded scholarships and financial aid.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Now that GovWeek is done, I am spending more time planning the Interdisciplinary Learning Conference scheduled for February. I will be meeting with more campus stakeholders and planning with my University Governance Advisor, Surma.

2. Meetings & Committees

GFC

GFC met last Monday. It was a unique meeting as we started with a smudging ceremony which I have never experienced at another University meeting. After, we were updated on the Institutional Strategic Plan, President Rahman gave a presentation on the SU Executive goals, and we discussed items such as the Transmittable Pathogens Policy, the terms or reference and membership of the Academic Governance Review Ad Hoc Task Force. I will be sitting at the Undergraduate Student on this task force. It is a very important group as they will review how authority is delegated in academic governance, which has the impact to substantially change how GFC and its committees work. Also, if you sit on GFC please attend the GFC Student Caucus meetings which are usually held a week before the meeting, as they are very beneficial in understanding and preparing for what goes on at the meetings.

4. Other Exciting Endeavours

Podcast

Another highlight from GovWeek was having my colleagues from CAUS attend. The VPA's from ULeth, UofC, Mount Royal, and MacEwan all came down to discuss the Textbook Broke campaign, which advocated for more open educational resources. If anyone is interested in learning about that, you can find the video recording on the CAUS Facebook page. While they were down here, we taped a segment on Textbook broke Alberta for the Voice of the Union podcast. This podcast is now available on iTunes and I would highly suggest you subscribe!

Turban Tying Event

As many of you know, the Sikh Students Association and Students' Union chose to respond to racist posters on campus with a Turban Tying event in SUB last week. The event drew a crowd of hundreds of people, including politicians and media. Thank you to everyone who came out to help celebrate and learn more about the Sikh culture.

Thank you for reading this report and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.



Marina Banister

Office of the VICE PRESIDENT STUDENT LIFE

September 29th, 2016

To: University of Alberta Students' Council 2016/17

Re: Vice President Student Life Council Report

Dear Council,

As you probably already know, a Turban Tying event took place in SUB in response to the racist posters that were put up on campus recently. It was a very successful event and I was very pleased to see the community come together in solidarity.

The executive team and I attended the launch of the Institutional Strategic Plan: For the Public Good, where the University President, Dr. David Turpin, presented it and talked about the consultation process that went into compiling the document.

GovWeek events:

I very much enjoyed holding the sessions I hosted during GovWeek. The feedback that I got indicated that they were well-received. However, VP Banister has/will soon have in depth knowledge as to what the participants liked or didn't like about the sessions.

ADVOCACY

Residence

Lister Meal Plan

The exec attended one of the presentations that were put on in the context of the consultation and provided feedback and asked questions on the new proposed meal plan.

Please encourage all students that live in lister to fill out the form below and provide feedback to the University:

<https://docs.google.com/a/uofalberta.ca/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdh-GiaaNeic2rj0WE0XDwlfJj-9p03b8iRno6XKDa3J98Omg/viewform>

Residence Association Fees

I am concerned with how long this is taking to be resolved from the Administration. We are now a month past the implementation deadline for the Board approved motion on the collection of association fees. At this point, my worry is that this sets precedent for the University disregarding Board-approved motions when it comes to collecting Students' Union fees. Despite our best efforts to resolve this, the same of urgency was not demonstrated by the Administration.

Lister Representatives

The Discover Governance Manager and I had a check-in meeting with the Lister Representatives. We discussed budgets, programming ideas, communication strategies with students and consultation around the meal plan.

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Sexual Violence Policy committee

This committee is the immediate group that gives feedback on what we think the sexual violence policy that the University is drafting should look like.

A draft of the procedures was distributed to the group, but if you are interested, please feel free to drop by my office so we can look at it together and note down any feedback.

Sexual Assault Response Implementation Committee

We reviewed the Terms of Reference, including membership, our mandate, our principles, etc. We also had our first meeting as working groups.

Campus Law Review Committee (CLRC)

A preliminary draft of the Sexual Violence Policy was brought forward to that committee. Also, some stats around discipline cases/ incidents/eviction rates in residence were presented.

Council of Residence Associations

We had a CORA meeting where we discussed pressing issues in residence and best practices.

Residence Advisory Committee

I attended the first RAC meeting, where we updated the terms of reference and talked about construction updates and

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Policy Committee

We discussed the second reading of the sexual violence policy and decided to take some questions back to the Sexual Assault Centre.

Board of Directors-The Landing

We had a Board meeting as well as meetings of the two committees that I am on: Policy and Finance.

The Landing Policy Committee

I am in the process of drafting the finance section of the Landing's policy.

MISCELLANEOUS

A reminder that my office hours are 12 p.m to 1 p.m on Fridays so stop by if you want to chat or have any questions. If that doesn't work for you, you can also e-mail me at vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca and we'll find a time to meet and chat.

Cheers,

Francesca Ghossein
(Submitted electronically)



SC 16-11.06

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

STUDENTS' UNION

OFFICE OF THE
VICE PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL)

September 29th, 2016
To: Students' Council
Re: Report to Students' Council

Council Report #10: Governance, Consultation and EMPLOYMENT

Hello Council,

I hope you've been well! It's funny just how fast September has gone, a couple blinks and it's already October! I am sure all of you are settling into classes and back to the university grind. The past couple weeks have been busy at the UASU and I am happy to be back giving all y'all my report! So stay tuned for what's in store.

Provincial

CAUS Calgary Meeting

On Friday Sept. 30th (I can hardly believe it's already here!) Fahim, Jon (our Director of Research and Political Affairs) and I are headed down to Calgary for our CAUS in person meeting. We will likely be talking about the Minimum Wage Consultations each of the SA's have done with their Students' Unions, policy updates, as well as planning our advocacy conference in November! I will be sure to update you on everything that went down when we next meet!

Minimum Wage Consultation

I would like to say thank you very much to the students who provided their feedback in the Minimum Wage Consultation Feedback form I sent out last week. I would like you to know that I take your feedback very seriously and thank those of you who voiced their comments on both the consultation proper and the process through which it was addressed. I have considered the feedback given and will be sure to continue to take it into consideration as we move forward in the future. I take pride in transparency and collaboration with my peers on council, and will continue to provide my open honest thoughts to all questions, hypothetical or otherwise. As stated in the consultation form, I have taken the feedback given not as an "official" or "unofficial" stance of the SU, but instead as a mechanism to help me make the most informed decisions when representing our institution's students to our fellow student leaders and external bodies. As stated in the form, with the feedback given the Vice-President (External) will not predetermine a position, nor imply that a position (official or otherwise) of Students' Council has been made, until an official position has been made by council. I will be sure to update Council on the position of CAUS. In the event a vote

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from council is required (e.g. should CAUS takes a stance on this subject that requires our Council's approval), the Vice-President (External) will introduce a motion to Council. CAUS will be discussing the Minimum Wage Consultaion at our meeting on Friday, and I will be sure to let council know what I find out!

UASU

GovWeek

I would like to begin by thanking and congratulating our Vice-President (Academic) Marina Banister for all her work putting together an incredible week-long celebration of governance. I am happy to note that over the past week I have had conversations with a number of students who have told me about how the events taken place during GovWeek have helped their understanding of governance and have inspired them to become more involved in governance bodies in both their university and community. I would also like to thank Minister of Advanced Education Marlin Schmidt for shairng his thoughts on student involvment in governance, as well as for coming out and interacting with students during our events. I would also like to thank MLA David Shepherd for coming to play music and engaging in meanigful conversations with students, alongside Member Estefania Cortes-Vargas, MP Kerry Diotte, MP Michael Cooper fellow elected officials who took time out of their day to speak to students here on campus. I also thank the Political Science Undergraduate Association for all their hard work helping put together the Celebration of Governance After Party; in addition to Brennan Murphy, Dennis Franz and other SU staff for pulling this event together; and the band Abandon Your Town for coming out and playing as well.

Turban Tying Event

I am absolutely proud of the Sikh Students' Association and the Sikh community for pulling together the recent Turban Eh! turban tying event in the Students' Union, as well as all the students and community members who came to our SUB Stage to take part. I am so happy to see people from all walks of life banding together to stand against racism and intolerance here on campus. The posters put up around campus were an unacceptable and cowardly show of discrimination. However, the response made by students to create dialogue and dispel harmful myths makes me proud to be a representative of the University of Alberta student body. Together, we are strong.

EMP FEST

I am happy to announce that the Employment Festival is soundly moving along. Applications to the advisory committee will be released during the first week of October and will be open to students, universtiy folk and community members at-large. I have begun working with our marketing department on a first identity and hope to have finalized

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branding by the end of October. I will continue to keep council updated on EMP FEST progress.

I am planning on holding this festival because it seems that over the past few years more and more students have become increasingly concerned about the usefulness of their degrees. While the Students' Union's mandate does not ensure that each student will have a job after graduation, we can help to provide the tools and resources they need to get off on the right foot. There are multitudes of events/sessions/workshops/competitions that have to do with employment that happen throughout the year. The goal of a week long festival is to compress these activities into a few days, in order to make them more visible, giving students the opportunity to attend these events and define their own path.

There are 5 pillars that the festival is centred on, they are:

- To showcase the diversity of employment
- To help students define a career path post PSE
- To ensure students are aware of the resources available to help them find employment
- To provide students access to professionals in a diverse range of fields
- To highlight the versatility of skills learned and how they can apply to other career fields

The festival hopes to target students in 3 general demographics: those early in their degree, those in the middle of their degree and those at the late part of their degree. For those early in their degree, EMP FEST hopes to help these students explore different career paths and define how they plan to use their degree in the future. For those in the middle of their degree EMP FEST hopes to help students manage their workplace expectations, as well as to help them fine-tune their marketable skills in order to help them become more hireable. For those in the latter part of their degree EMP FEST will work to connect them with employers and professionals in their field to help them as they seek to begin their career.

Welp! I hope you enjoyed the 11th edition of the Report of the Vice-President (External). It still astounds me how fast the year is going by. But thinking about all the rest of the year has in store makes me excited evermore! I am looking forward to the month of October and hope that all of you are as well!

Hearken! Together we move forward, evermore,
Mike Sandare

Date: September 29, 2016
To: Students' Council, c/o Saadiq Sumar, Speaker
From: Brandon Christensen, Chair
Subject: BC-Report #4

Dear Students' Council:

In accordance with Bylaw 100, Section 16 the following written report has been submitted, on-time, to the University of Alberta Students' Union, Students' Council. This report has been completed to permit decisions of Bylaw Committee to be approved as outlined in Bylaw 100, Section 16(3).

1) Decisions of Bylaw Committee

The Committee last met on September 27 and business was conducted. Firstly, the committee amended the second reading of Bill #6, C.R.O. Responsibilities, to address the concerns brought forth by Council on August 23, 2016. Secondly, the committee approved a series of editorial changes to Bylaws: 100, 500, 1100, 1500, 2200, 2300, 2400, 2500, 4000, 5600, and 8400.

2) Recommendations of Bylaw Committee

Bylaw Committee recommends Council reads Bill #6 a second time and that it do pass.

3) Bylaw Committee Standing Orders

There have been no changes to Bylaw Committee's standing orders since May 5, 2016.

4) Summary of Motions

Please see the summary of motions below directly from the unapproved minutes from September 27, 2016.

Motion	Result
KIANI/LARSEN MOVE to approve the agenda.	5/0/0 - CARRIED
LARSEN/PACHES MOVE to approve the minutes.	3/0/2 - CARRIED (PROCHNAU and KIANI abstain)
LARSEN/CHRISTENSEN MOVE to approve the second reading of Bill #6, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, to clarify and outline C.R.O. Responsibilities according to the approved first principles (See Google Drive for specific word changes).	7/0/0 - CARRIED

CHRISTENSEN/KIANI MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 500 as listed on Google Drive.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
CHRISTENSEN/MCKINLAY MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 1100 as listed on Google Drive.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE strike 3.7 from the proposed edits to Bylaw 3000.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
PACHES/MCKINLAY MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 3000 as listed below: 7.3 : "In addition to the base Students' Union membership fee, the Chair of Finance Committee shall maintain a schedule of dedicated fees to be collected." 7.9 add a period after Augustana 7.10 capitalize Act in Post-Secondary Learning act	6/0/0 - CARRIED
CHRISTENSEN/LARSEN MOVE to amend the edit 3.5 as below: 3.5 The Bylaw Committee shall approve within fourteen (14) (replace with thirty (30)) days from receiving the proposal , a petition question that reflects the original intent of the proposal and outlines the following: 2.4, 2.5, 4.2, 5.3.f: add a period at the end 4.5: A representative from the board of the Dedicated Fee Unit, or designate , as outlined...	5/0/0 - CARRIED
PACHES/MCKINLAY MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 6100 as listed below: 3.5 The Bylaw Committee shall approve within fourteen (14) (replace with thirty (30)) days from receiving the proposal , a petition question that reflects the original intent of the proposal and outlines the following: 2.4, 2.5, 4.2, 5.3.f: add a period at the end 4.5: A representative from the board of the Dedicated Fee Unit, or designate , as outlined...	6/0/0 - CARRIED
PROCHNAU/MCKINLAY MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 4000 as listed on Google Drive.	7/0/0 - CARRIED
PROCHNAU/HOWIE MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 5600 as listed on Google Drive.	7/0/0 - CARRIED

LARSEN/KIANI MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 2100 as listed on Google Drive.	0/6/0 - DEFEATED
LARSEN/KIANI MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 2200 as listed on Google Drive.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
LARSEN/HOWIE MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 2300 as listed on Google Drive.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
LARSEN/MCKINLAY MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 2400 as listed on Google Drive.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
LARSEN/PACHES MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 2500 as listed on Google Drive.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
KIANI/LARSEN MOVE to approve the editorial changes to Bylaw 8400 as listed on Google Drive.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
KIANI/CHRISTENSEN MOVE to adjourn at 8:20 PM.	6/0/0 - CARRIED

Thank you for your care and attention. Please feel free to make any inquiries you deem appropriate. A response will be provided within twenty-four (24) hours.

All the best,

Brandon Christensen
Chair, Bylaw Committee
University of Alberta Students' Union

(Submitted electronically)

Mtg Code	Date	Result	Motion	Council Agenda Reported In	Notes
02	2016-05-09	4/0/0	GHOSSEIN/RAHMAN MOVED TO recommend the selection and placement of two SU representatives per tower in Lister Centre to be funded by an allocation from the unrestricted reserve.		PACHES away
03	2016-05-12	4/0/0	SANDARE/RAHMAN MOVED TO request no more than \$1,800 to send the Vice President External, President, and DRPA to the CAUS Changeover conference.		PACHES away
03	2016-05-12	4/0/0	SANDARE/GHOSSEIN MOVED TO request no more than \$3,000 to send the Vice President External, President, and DRPA to the CASA Foundations conference.		PACHES away
04	2016-05-19	5/0/0	GHOSSEIN/PACHES MOVED TO request \$565.00 in Per Diem and Travel costs for the VP Operations & Finance and the VP Student Life to attend the Studentcare Stakeholder Orientation as UASU delegates.		
04	2016-05-19	5/0/0	GHOSSEIN/RAHMAN MOVED that the Executive Committee will support the Vice President Academic in the planning and execution of GovWeek 2016.		
06	2016-06-02	5/0/0	PACHES/RAHMAN MOVED TO approve the amendments to section 3.17 in Operating Policy for wellness and retirement benefits.		
07	2016-06-09	5/0/0	RAHMAN/PACHES MOVED TO approve the SUBprint expansion and to charge SUBprint \$23,400 in annual rent for the space.		
07	2016-06-09	5/0/0	RAHMAN/SANDARE MOVED TO approve no more than \$260 to send the former VP External Dylan Hanwell to the Council of Alberta University Students Changeover Conference.		
08	2016-06-13	5/0/0	SANDARE/GHOSSEIN MOVED TO approve no more than \$360 for the VP External and the VP Student Life to attend the Wellness Summit in Calgary on June 14.		
10	2016-06-23	5/0/0	SANDARE/RAHMAN MOVED TO approve a budgeted expense of no more than \$1600 to send the Executive and the DRPA to the Council of Alberta University Students all Executive conference.		
10	2016-06-23	5/0/0	SANDARE/RAHMAN MOVED TO approve a budgeted expense of no more than \$2600 to send the President, VP External, and the DRPA to the Canadian Alliance of Student Association Policy and Strategy Conference.		
12	2016-06-30	5/0/0	SANDARE/PACHES MOVED TO request no more than \$500 from the project allocation fund for the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce membership fee.		
14	2016-07-07	5/0/0	PACHES/SANDARE MOVED TO approve no more than \$2,800 from the project allocation fund for the executive to attend SUDS.		
14	2016-07-07	5/0/0	BANISTER/SANDARE MOVED TO incorporate the amended version of the Art in SUB Committee TOR into Executive standing orders.		
14	2016-07-07	5/0/0	RAHMAN/PACHES MOVED TO appoint Mike Sandare as the Executive rep on the Art in SUB Committee.		
14	2016-07-07	5/0/0	RAHMAN/BANISTER MOVED TO incorporate the amended version of the SUB Advisory Group TOR into Executive standing orders.		
18	2016-08-15	4/0/0	SANDARE/PACHES MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve \$45.20 from PA account to cover remainder of the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce membership fee.		BANISTER away
21	2016-08-25	5/0/0	PACHES/RAHMAN MOVED TO approve the Job Descriptions as presented.		
23	2016-09-01	4/0/0	BANISTER/PACHES MOVED TO approve a project allocation not to exceed \$5000.00 for GovWeek as presented		GHOSSEIN away
24	2016-09-08	5/0/0	RAHMAN/PACHES MOVED TO that no more than \$600.00 be budgeted from the PA budget for CSJ BBQ		

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24	2016-09-08	5/0/0	SANDARE/PACHES MOVED TO change Art Committee Terms of Reference to include 4 student-at-large seats .		
24	2016-09-08	5/0/0	PACHES/RAHMAN MOVED TO approve a project allocation not to exceed \$2000.00 for Room at the Top menu boards as presented.		
25	2016-09-15	5/0/0	RAHMAN/SANDARE MOVED TO budget no more than \$440 to send the President, VP (External), and DPRA to the Council of Alberta University Students September Meeting in Calgary.		
26	2016-09-23	5/0/0	SANDARE/RAHMAN MOVED TO budget no more than \$200 from the PA line for the Celebration of Governance After Party.		

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Councillor Attendance Records																			
2016-2017																			
Council Seats (40 total)	Name	16-08 August 23	16-07 August 9	Vote 8c	Vote 7e	Vote 7d	Vote 7c	Vote 7b	Vote 7a	16-06 July 26	Vote 7a	Vote 7b	Vote 8a	16-05 July 12	16-04 June 28	16-03 June 14	16-02 May 17	16-01 May 3	16-00 April 6
Ex-officio Members (6 voting seats)																			
	Fahim Rahman	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	President																		
	VP Academic	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.5
	VP External	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y
	VP Operations & Finance	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
	VP Student Life	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y
	Undergraduate Board of Governors Rep	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	0.5	Y	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Faculty Representation (32 voting seats)																			
	ALES	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	A	N	Y	Y	A	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Arts	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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	Arts	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Arts	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Arts	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Arts	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y
	Augustana (Faculty)																		
	Business	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Business	0.5	Y	0.5	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	-	-	-	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Education	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	0.5	Y	Y
	Education																		
	Engineering	0.5	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y
	Engineering	Y	Y	N	-	-	-	-	-	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	N	0.5	Y	Y
	Engineering		Y(P)0.5		-	-	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y
	Engineering	0.5	0.5	0.5		N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y
	Law	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Medicine & Dentistry	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Native Studies																		
	Nursing	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	A	Y	0.5	A	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Open Studies	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Pharmacy																		
	Phys Ed & Rec																		
	Saint-Jean (Faculty)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Science	Y	Y	0.5		N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
	Science	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y
	Science	0.5	Y	N	-	-	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Science	Y	Y	0.5		N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Science	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Science																		
	Science	N	Y	Y	Y	N	A	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	-	Y	0.5	Y	Y (P)	Y	Y
Ex-Officio Members (2 non-voting seats)																			
	Speaker	Y	N	Y			-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
	General Manager			N			-	-	-	N	-	-	-	N	0.5	N	Y	N	N

**Tuesday, September 20, 2016
Council Chambers, University Hall**

We would like to acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Cree, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge continuing colonial violence and respect Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2016-10)

Meeting called to order at 6:02 PM.

2016-10/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2016-10/1a Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 6:00pm at Campus Saint Jean, Room TBD.

2016-10/2 PRESENTATIONS

2016-10/2a 2016/17 Executive Goals - Presented by the Students' Union Executive
Sponsored by: Councilor Hammond

HAMMOND/FLAMAN MOVE to allow this presentation.

Councilor Howie to VP Sandare:

Why is the University of Lethbridge the baseline for mental health funding?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

UL is the smallest University and smaller FLE count. If we change to per student model, they won't be negatively affected with respect to funding. We want to make sure they have an equitable amount.

Governor Champagne to VP Sandare:

How will changing tax credits into grants work if students don't pay a lot of income tax?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

They are tuition tax credits that are usually given to parents (for majority of students) when filing taxes. Govts have funds allocated for tuition tax credits, asked for them to move into grant. Idea: sliding scale model, student is able to

get upfront money to pay for expenses. If there are upfront grants, then it will increase access for students to attend University.

Governor Champagne to Vice President Sandare:

Does that model take into account living costs if they move away from home? Tax credits are 1 advantage they can apply vs. students who live in the city have lower costs who live at home?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

It will be an income based model instead of demographic based model which will consider those who don't need financial aid. Regardless of which group, everyone will get grouped by income so every student has access to funding.

Councilor Prochnau to VP Ghossein & VP Sandare:

Mental health funding won't happen until next budget in March/April funding. What's plan B if there's no money next election?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

If there are 2 years left in the term, they are more willing to push for things that matter to them. The minister that deal with grants also deals with mental health. We are able to get money back since due to a consistent voice. The baseline based on FLE can be easily transitions between governments. It will still be predictable/sustainable.

Vice President Ghossein's Response:

There's an advisory committee on post-secondary mental health. The govt is committed to hearing out student representatives. The model is not arbitrary, it's easily transferable from 1 govt to another because now we have an exact measure of how we determined that amount. It's difficult to get a plan B, comes down to philosophical question. There's many ways to subsidize parts of it with grants or are we comfortable with increasing fees for students to access mental health services. It's ultimately up to council for mental health service funding.

Councillor Hammond to Vice President Banister:

Question re funding for flexible course loads. What are the other reasons? EG Business limits credits so cannot take full course load.

Vice President Banister's Response:

"Mental health and other reasons" refers to Student Accessibility Services provides accommodations to students that need extra time. In the calendar, it states that students who require accommodations through SAS to take a reduced course load are still eligible for scholarships/financial aid that say you need a full course load to be eligible. You don't have to disclose reasons for accessing SAS to professors by getting a letter from SAS. Accelerated/extended degree options and make sure more classes are offered. Also, addressing

concerns where students have to extend their degree because they couldn't enrol in a required class.

Councilor Larsen to Vice President Sandare:

If there were any comments on the tuition cap in 2017. What about lowered tuitions in general as soon as we have a new govt that could be discussed.

Vice President Sandare's Response:

Tuition falls under ALR. Minister bringing tuition funding to cabinet in the next couple of weeks, may know by October. We're looking at when the tuition cap is removed. Idea of rolling tuition back to '92 levels, having tuition tied at CPI or having tuition tied at CPI or reduction tuition. We wanted to have tuition at same level as NFL - have lowest tuition in the country but tough because govt is in a massive deficit so tie it back to CPI is something that could happen. In 92 - change in govt that added modifiers which caused a huge spike in tuition and is still in effect.

Councilor Monda to Vice President Ghossein:

What are we aiming for regarding Residence Association autonomy?

Vice President Ghossein's Response:

Residence associations became student residences association. Their financials are going to be reviewed this year with audit committee similar to faculty association financials. Before, residence services were collecting that money, a lot of micromanagement with their budget wouldn't happen because they would be liable about how they're spending funds. For autonomy with student groups in general, any changes made to student groups, student group disciplines in general will affect residence associations EG suspending events, or election policies/procedures. We would have more control over this. For programming, it's tied to financials as long as they respect community standards and are compliant.

Governor Champagne to Vice President Sandare:

Can we ask the government to recognize and invest in the post-secondary sector by increasing funding instead of lowering tuition?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

Regarding advocacy asks, we're pushing for UA get more capital funds in order to repair things EG giving CSJ better labs, repairing campus building, pushing to give UA money and all the money received is tied to something, ensures it goes to the right places. For access to University, grants is one of the best ways to help students access U so by lowering tuition then acceptance rates go down because it forces more people into institution even if they can't handle it vs. grants allow people who want to access university are able to regardless of income. It's not putting too much restraint, it targets groups that need it at most.

President Rahman's Response:

Believes that budgets are a reflection of priorities, firm believer that universities are always broke so if he advocates on behalf of U, he doesn't have a guarantee that where the funds will be allocated EG funding for the university experience, services, administration so that's why he's hesitant.

2016-10/2b

Should the UASU Support the \$15 Minimum Wage? - Presented by Vice President Sandare
Sponsored by: Vice President Sandare

Please see SC 16-10.01

Vice President Banister to Vice President Sandare:

Regarding voting for the change in minimum wage. What's the implication if we vote YES or NO?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

If we vote Yes, there's a possibility to gain political capital with the govt, something we can leverage in the future. Con of voting Yes, opens up to where we cap minimum wage which doesn't affect students directly unlike tuition. We may become a catch-all advocacy group which may be ineffective if govt asks us for support. If we vote, No - there's a possibility we could lose political capital.

Vice President Ghossein to Vice President Sandare:

Is there a third voting option for the minimum wage increase?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

3 different options: Vote Yes, Vote No, Stay silent - stand neutral, tell the minister we're not willing to comment at the next meeting.

Councillor DeJong to Vice President Sandare:

Why do we have to vote during this meeting? We haven't had a lot of information on this issue, and I haven't had time to digest this information.

Vice President Sandare's Response:

There wasn't an SC meeting 2 weeks ago. We just want to make sure we have a stance by the end of the month for the teleconference and Calgary meeting.

Vice President Banister to Vice President Sandare:

I'm in agreement with what Councillor DeJong just said as we haven't heard much about this issue.

Councillor Nahid to Vice President Sandare:

This is a question for council, I'm interested in hearing reasons why we vote against this?

Vice President Sandare's response:

3 options: Y / N / silence

Reasons for not supporting should be discussed with council. If we say yes, where does it end. It might not affect all students, many students attend different post-secondary institutions not just the UA.

CHAMPAGNE/ANGUS MOVE to go in-camera

12/13/1

MOTION FAILS.

Councillor Larsen to Vice President Sandare:

Do we know how many students are in Alberta?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

Roughly 200,000 -250, 000 students in Alberta. So, a third of students are affected by this.

Governor Champagne:

So, I recommend we stop debate on this right now since we are openly discussing political strategy, and we mentioned using this decision to gain political capital with the government.

Councillor Ndatirwa to Vice President Sandare:

Of that percentage that you just mentioned of students that we have, how many of them are actually making minimum wage? And what is the ratio of international to non-international students?

Vice President Sandare's Response:

I don't know the ratio, but then again of the 305, 000 mentioned which is 3.1% of Alberta, there are about 70, 000 that are students. We don't know from where, they could be from university, colleges or polytechnics, etc.

GHOSSEIN/PACHES MOVE to go in-camera

MOTION CARRIES.

GHOSSEIN/ HOWIE MOVE to go ex-camera

MOTION CARRIES.

2016-10/3

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Marina Banister, Vice President (Academic) - Report.

Francesca Ghossein, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.

Mike Sandare, Vice President (External) - Report.

Fahim Rahman, President - Report.

Robyn Paches, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report.

2016-10/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

Policy Committee - Report.
Finance Committee - Report.
Audit Committee - Report.
Bylaw Committee - Report.
Board of Governors - Report.
CJSR-FM - Report.
APIRG - Report.
The Gateway - Report.

2016-10/5 OPEN FORUM

2016-10/5a Mr. Bondarchuk to Vice President Banister:

What is one session she liked so far and which ones she's looking forward to?

Vice President Banister's Response:

She liked the session with Minister Marlin Schmidt and Committee Smart session. Sessions she's most excited about mature students in governance and Don Iveson on Friday.

2016-10/6 QUESTION PERIOD:

Councilor Howie to Vice President Banister:

If she would like to conclude the report she started.

Vice President Banister's Response:

The struggles of GovWeek: lower turnout than anticipated in the sessions. We tried our best to reach students with marketing strategies. She might have been a little too ambitious with GovWeek. We will engage hundreds of students over the course of the week. She will compile a report for next year's GovWeek should it happen.

Councilor Monda to Vice President Paches:

Questions about affordable booking prices for SubStage.

Vice President Paches' Response:

The high cost is due to AV costs so there should be a requirement of portable AV system to decrease AV costs. Will look into issue further.

Councilor Mahal to Vice President Ghossein:

Finishing report about the #IBelieveYou campaign.

Vice President Ghossein's Response:

It's focused on response re disclosure of sexual assault. This is about support we give survivors once they disclose so we can see disclosure numbers go up due to community support. Once social media videos circulate, she encourages you to make your own.

Councilor Larsen to Vice President Ghossein:

Fees regarding Residence Association

Vice President Ghossein's Response:

There are big implications that affect the way they can plan their year and budget. We gave Dean of Students a deadline until the end of the month.

2016-10/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2016-10/7a DEJONG MOVES to appoint two member of Students' Council to the Policy Committee.

Councillor Scott nominates himself and notes a conflict of interest due to a relationship with the Chair of the Policy Committee.

COUNCILLOR LARSON and COUNCILLOR NDATIRWA appointed to the Policy Committee.

2016-10/7b PACHES MOVES to appoint one member of Students' Council to Finance Committee.

COUNCILLOR SCOTT appointed to the Finance Committee.

2016-10/8 GENERAL ORDERS

2016-10/8 BANISTER/PACHES move to appoint 4 Student Councillors to sit on the PAW Strategic Operating Committee.

COUNCILLOR DEJONG, COUNCILLOR FLAMAN, COUNCILLOR HOWIE AND GOVERNOR CHAMPAGNE appointed to the PAW Strategic Operating Committee.

2016-10/9 INFORMATION ITEMS

2016-10/9a Report from the President.

Please see SC 16-10.02

2016-10/9b Report from the Vice President of Operations and Finance.

Please see SC 16-10.03

- 2016-10/9c** Report from the Vice President Academic.
Please see SC 16-10.04
- 2016-10/9d** Report from the Vice President Student Life.
Please see SC 16-10.05
- 2016-10/9e** Report from the Vice President External.
Please see SC 16-10.06
- 2016-10/9f** Report from the Bylaw Committee
Please see SC 16-10.07
- 2016-10/9g** Executive Committee Motion Tracking
Please see SC 16-10.08
- 2016-10/9h** Students' Council Motion Tracking
Please see SC 16-10.09
- 2016-10/9i** Committee Motion Tracking - By Committee
Please see SC 16-10.10
- 2016-10/9j** Committee Motion Tracking - By Date
Please see SC 16-10.11
- 2016-10/9k** Students' Council Attendance
Please see SC 16-10.12

Meeting adjourned at **9:18 PM.**